Belmont Elementary Online Educational Support and Enrichment

Suggestions:

- It might be helpful to make a schedule for each day so the children have a routine to follow (see a sample schedule below).
- Select one activity from each subject area listed below to do each day.
- Weather permitting, get some fresh air, while still keeping recommended physical distance from those around you.
- Remember to give your children time to play each day.
- Supervise screen time. For guidelines about age-appropriate content, please visit Common Sense Media.
- Embed movement into every day.
- Take advantage of opportunities for teaching your child life skills (folding laundry, following a recipe, etc.).

Feeling overwhelmed?

The current national health emergency is causing many parents anxiety. If you are feeling overwhelmed, you are not alone.

Parents Helping Parents can offer support. Parental stress line counselors are still there to listen to your concerns and problem-solve with you.

24-7, free and confidential. CALL: 800-632-8188

Grade K-1	Description
Reading:	Starfall: is a tool that provides a great deal of educational content for young children. It uses animation and sound to engage children in the learning process.
	RAZ Kids: allows students to read and listen to books at guided reading levels and answer comprehension questions online or on an app. Please use your student's district username and password to access this site.
	Epic: is a tool through which students can search for online books to read by topic or by title.
	Ideas for After Reading a Book :These are ideas that students can use to discuss or write about books after they have read them.
	Lexia Core5 Reading: is a phonics program that students use at school. Please use your student's login information.
	Storyline Online: is a website that contains stories that are read out loud to students.
	Practice Reading Sight Words: K Sight Words Gr 1 Sight Words
Writing:	Practice Writing Letters, Sight Words (see above for lists) and Numbers:
	Some ways to do this are: Build letters, numbers, and words out of playdough and Wiki Sticks Use Scrabble tiles to spell sight words Use marbles, beads, rocks, legos, and things found in nature to make words, letters, and numbers Write numbers, letters and words in side-walk chalk or give your child a large paint brush and container of water (not paint) to create them on an outside surface. Draw words and numbers in glue and cover the glue in salt or glitter (this is a good outside activity) Fill a bin with salt or sand and practice writing in it Sing or rap the letters in sight words Draw words, letters, and numbers in shaving cream or chocolate syrup Be An Author! Use Our Writing Paper or paper from home.
	Write: • A Letter • A Recipe • An All About Book • A Personal Narrative • A Pretend Story • A Poem • A Different Ending to a Story You've Read • Respond to <u>Kindergarten Writing Prompts or First Grade Journal Prompts</u>

Math: DreamBox: is an online high quality mathematical program that differentiates instruction and practice for each student using it (currently offering a free 90 day subscription for families setting up an account). Bedtime Math: This site can be accessed via the web or parents can opt to get the app on their ipad. Each activity includes a nonfiction article or story around a topic that parents can read to their children and math questions to go with it. These questions are written at three or four different levels. (Wee ones: these questions are usually K -1st grade) Math For Bed: offers resources with images, patterns, and puzzles that you can discuss with your child. Video tutorials for adults to learn helpful and popular math games to play with kids: Make a Tens Go Fish: Addition Top It: Subtraction Top It Social Studies/ Cincinnati Zoo: If you are on Facebook, the Cincinnati Zoo will be livestreaming every day at 3 PM. Science: PBS Learning: Elementary resources and lessons from the Public Broadcasting System Mystery Science: Short science lessons and videos for kids. Keep a Nature Journal: Spring is almost here and with it comes many changes to our environment. Students can keep a journal of these changes. Here are a couple of possible focuses. • Kindergarten- Go outside. Identify things that are living (birds, insects, plants), and those that are nonliving (rocks, sand, soil). Draw and record what you see. • First grade-Keep a weather journal and graph weather data. Identify the different sounds you hear outside. Try to discover what makes them. Enrichment/ Fun Ideas for Elementary Children: Lots of various fun ideas for your time at home! **Exploration:** Go Noodle: Contains a huge variety of movement breaks for children. IXL: Website with both free and subscription-based mult-disciplinary, interactive practice Brain Pop Jr: Brainpop is currently providing free access to their educational videos and activities. Scholastic: Explore online stories and educational content for free.

Play Board and Card Games. Some Examples Are:

* Junior Scrabble * Go Fish * Uno * Chutes and Ladders * Connect 4 * Concentration

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Reading:	Starfall: is a tool that provides a great deal of educational content for young children. It uses animation and sound to engage children in the learning process.
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	Epic is a tool through which students can search for online books to read by topic or by title.
	Storyline Online: is a website that contains stories that are read out loud to students.
	Ideas for After Reading a Book Ideas for K-2 students to discuss or write about after reading
	Teachers Books Readers: a collaborative team of educators each shares a book their students love
	Practice Reading Sight Words: (<u>Gr 2 Sight Words</u>)
Writing / Phonics / Spelling:	Typing Club is a program through which student can learn touch typing online Vocabulary Spelling City Free to parents- use code: VSCFree90/ Register for the Premium Package, put in the code, and there will be no charge. Be An Author Using Our Writing Paper:or paper you have at home Write all different things: ★ A poem ★ A letter to someone (describe something that happened to you, persuade someone about something that matters to you) ★ A grocery list ★ A personal narrative ★ Respond to a prompt ★ Write a different ending to a story you've read ★ A teaching book about something you know

Math:	<u>Dream Box</u> : is an online, high quality mathematical program that differentiates instruction for each student using it. (Currently offering a free 90 day subscription for parents setting up new accounts.)
	Bedtime Math: Each activity includes an interesting nonfiction article or human interest story around a topic historically elementary students find interesting. These stories are usually written at a high reading level so parents should expect to read these stories with their children. Then there are math questions to go with the story. These questions are written at three- sometimes four different levels. (Little kids: these questions are usually 1st grade -2nd grades)
	Khan Academy Kids: is a free online education program for children ages 2 - 7. It is age-appropriate and personalized for each individual learner.
	Video Tutorials for adults to learn helpful and popular math games to play with kids:
	Best beginner Cribbage video ♣
	Make the Largest Sum
	How to Play Close to 100
	Activities at Home: Grade 2: Unit 5
Social Studies/	News ELA website with articles from news sources for kids
Science:	PBS Kids elementary resources and lessons from the Public Broadcasting System
	Mystery Science popular science lessons and are offering them for anyone to use for free
	Identify one spot in your yard or outside to observe carefully. Try to identify all of the living and nonliving elements in that habitat. Draw and label what you observe.
Enrichment/ Exploration:	Fun Ideas for Elementary Children Lots of various fun ideas!
	Educational Shows on Netflix A list for parents of suggested educational programs currently streaming on Netflix (you need a Netflix account; parents are strongly advised to monitor content)
	Go Noodle_Super fun movement and dance sit to get kids moving
	Ideas for Movement Breaks 10 Different At Home Learning and Movement Activities
	Scholastic: Explore online stories and educational content for free.
	IXL: Website with both free and subscription-based, mult-disciplinary interactive practice

Grades 3-4	Description
Reading:	Belmont Public Library Site: Sign up for a library card from home! If you have a card, you have access to: Book Flicks, ebook & e-audio, Overdrive & Libby
	Libby: On Belmont Library website, and can be accessed with library card number.
	Epic: Online E-Library. Free to sign up. Many Belmonts students have accounts.
	Storyline Online: Read-Alouds by accomplished Actors
	Book Talk/Write Guide: Finished a book? Ideas to think about or discuss with parent
	StoryWeaver: Reads to or with you.
	Read, Wonder, and Learn! Authors read their books and provide ideas and writing prompts for extended learning!
Writing:	Be an Author!
	Write all different things: ★ A poem ★ A persuasive letter to someone ★ A grocery list ★ A personal narrative ★ Respond to a prompt ★ Write a different ending to a story you've read ★ A teaching book you are an expert on or know alot about
Typing:	Typing Club: Free learn to type resource
	Typing Lessons Learn Touch Typing: Free learn to type resource

Math:	Bedtime Math: Access for a story and questions of the day. These stories are usually written at a high reading level so parents should expect to read these stories with their children. Then there are math questions to go with the story. These questions are written at three-sometimes four different levels. (Big Kids: these questions are usually 2nd grade - 3rd grades)
	Thinking Blocks: A great site to practice understanding word problems.
	Greg Tang Math & Greg Tang Spring Break Challenge: Print out the appropriate grade level game board and complete the activities on the board. All the games and activities listed on the game board can be found on the Greg Tang website.
	<u>DreamBox</u> : is an online high quality mathematical program that differentiates instruction for each student using it. (Currently offering a free 90 day subscription for parents setting up new accounts.)
	Make a Product: Math games with a deck of cards: Make a Product.
	Largest Quotient: Math games with a deck of cards: Largest Quotient
	Play board and card games such as: * Monopoly * Cribbage * Chess * Uno * Dominos * Concentration
Social Studies/ Science:	NewsELA: Website with articles from news sources for kids. Find the answers to frequently asked questions.
	Mystery Science popular science lessons and are offering them for anyone to use for free
	National Geographic Kids: Videos and articles of: animals, exploring geography, science, etc!
	Brain Pop Jr and Brain Pop are currently providing free access to their videos and activities with registration.
Enrichment/ Exploration:	PBS Learning A repository of tens of thousands of free videos, lessons, interactives, and more.
	Khan Academy Kids
	Google Arts and Culture Museum Field Trips_360 degree virtual walk-throughs of museums around the world
	Wonderopolis Find the answers to what you may be wondering! Explore many topics on this site.
	IXL: Website with both free and subscription-based, mult-disciplinary interactive practice
	Scholastic: Explore online stories and educational content for free.

The Importance of Routine:

At school, routines and rituals structure our days and provide regularity and predictability. Knowing when it is time to play or work, be independent or spend time with parents, can be tremendously helpful and reassuring to children. Creating a schedule for, or with your child(ren) may make the days at home more pleasant and productive.

Sample Schedule:

This is only a sample to help you think about how to create a routine to structure your family's day. You can make as detailed or simple a schedule as works for your family. You can also give your child a list and have them create a schedule.

Before 9am	Wake Up	Eat breakfast, make your bed, get dressed
9:00-10:00	Morning Fresh/Air Movement	Resources from Belmont PE Department
10:00-11:30	Academic Time	Possibly Math and/or Science Play 20-30 minutes of math games online or with others Keep a science observation journal Pick from the list above
11:30-12:15	Creative Time	Legos, coloring, crafting, playdough, pretend play, etc.
12:15-1:15	Lunch	
1:15-2:00	Chore Time/Life Skills	 Clear table Wipe kitchen table and chair Fold some laundry
2:00-4:00	Academic Time	Possibly Reading, Word Work and Writing Read for 20 - 40 minutes (based on age) Pick from the list above
4:00-5:00	Afternoon Fresh Air/Movement	
5:00-6:00	Dinner	
6:00-7:00	Game Time	Board or card games with loved ones
7:00-8:00	Free TV Time	
8:00	Bedtime	