

November 15, 2022

Dear Parents,

Please find this year's Homestead Studies attached. These assignments are meant to be executed should school be canceled without prior notice, such as a regional snow storm or power outage in the school building. Your child's teacher has prepared a schedule of assignments that will engage your child, reinforce school studies, or aid us should we be required to transition from in person learning to an alternate model.

You will find a standardized school-wide matrix that is populated with your child's appropriate grade-level assignments. There is a different matrix for each of the possible three days. Every matrix includes 20 minutes of Reading, followed by an assignment choice from subject areas. On the first Homestead Studies Day, student assignments include Reading, Math, Religion, Social Studies, Art, and Music. Homestead Studies Day 2 includes Reading, Math, Religion, Science, Library, and Computer. Homestead Studies Day 3 once again includes Reading, Math, Religion, adds Language Arts/Word Study, Spanish, and Physical Education. Each day of

Homestead Studies Day 1

****Please choose one activity under each category to complete****

<u>Reading</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Religion</u>	<u>Social Studies</u>	<u>Art</u>	<u>Music</u>
Pick your favorite book and read it with a family member. Draw a picture of your favorite part of the story.	Sort: Go outside and collect some rocks or sticks. Sort them by size and color.	Practice saying the prayer "Guardian Angel"	Families are important. Create a family tree at home.	Draw and color a family portrait, don't forget to include your pets! (If you'd like to share with your Art Teacher, , you can email her a photo at art@stmschool.org she would love to see your family)	Moving to music is important. Ask one of your family members to play some music! Have a freeze dance party. Maybe bring some stuffed animals to dance with!



Show a family member your favorite book. Point to the cover and the title. Run your fingers along the line left to right (directionally).	Number Hunt: Go outside on a number hunt. Children can search for numerals written in words, houses, cars, or just hidden.	Jesus was a wonderful friend. He wants us to be good friends. Make a card for your friend.	Talk about who is in your community or where you live. Draw a picture of your community. Park/Houses/library or anything you'd like that's located near your home.	Take a "tour" of the "Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City" through their site #metkids https://www.metmuseum.org/art/online-features/metkids/	Music makes us different emotions. feel Ask one of your family members to play your favorite song. Listen to it a few times. Draw how the song makes you feel.
Use the link below to practice reading some sight words. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VxBEmaSh1c&ab_channel=Alphablocks	Writing Numbers: use a piece of paper and crayons. Practice writing numbers.	God is love and created us. Make a heart using paper and decorate the heart. Be very creative!	Ask a grown up to tell you of a real-life hero. The hero can be a relative, a neighbor, or a famous historic person. Draw a picture of this hero	Draw/paint/sculpt a fruit 2 ways Select a piece of fruit. Then take a piece of white plain paper in half. Now draw, paint, color or sculpt your fruit in 2 ways on each side of your paper.	Musical instruments help us create music! Find a family member to help you build your own percussion instrument. Use an empty bottle and some beans! Now you have a shaker! Try this video playing the shaker to the steady beat. Then follow the video's directions! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tGSsmy0wMmk

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Homestead Studies Day 2

****Please choose one activity under each category to complete****

<u>Reading</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Religion</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Computer</u>
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Read for 10 minutes by practicing pointing to the words. Then find a sight word throughout the book such as: the, or, and, etc	Use any house tools to create 3 -D Shapes.	Praying is talking to God. Pray for the people you love. Make a picture for them to show them you love them	Determine the current temperature by using a weather app and talk about how the weather is for the day. Is it below or above freezing? What does a "freezing" temperature mean?	Listen to <i>My No, No, No Day</i> by Rebecca Patterson. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x-Bpoj5fZr0 Have you ever had a day like the girl in the story? Circle Yes or No Think of 2 things you can do to have a cheerful day and draw them on the back.	Watch the following: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ax6bUF_8txM https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K8yaRigRCS4
Pick 5 different books. Find a special quiet place at home. Read by practicing pointing to the words. Do not forget that looking at the pictures is also part of reading. Tell a family member which book was your favorite book.	Chalk Shapes: If the weather permits, go outside and practice drawing shapes. If not, draw shapes on a piece of paper.	God created all creatures on Earth. God made everything. Create a collage using different materials about your favorite animal.	Pretend you are an inventor. Find around your house different materials and pretend you are going to invent something new. Tell a family member what you created.	Write the alphabet on the back of this paper: A, B, C, D....Y, Z	Watch the following: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4th8lUmAuZs&list=PLtMHWyJWu0hBkZAoKMcjGo5t7v7BxuhO https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K8yaRigRCS4
Listen to the story attached. Then make a picture about the main idea and bring it to school. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pCkRtyXq-fg&ab_channel=SmileKids	Practice forming numerals or drawing shapes with salt, shaving cream or playdough using a stick or your finger.	Jesus wants us to share. We have things to share. Play with a family member and share your favorite toys with them.	Go outside on a Nature Hunt. Collect some items and make a collage with them.	Read independently or with a grown-up for 15 minutes.	Watch the following: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JjStyFdV1kQ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K8yaRigRCS4

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Homestead Studies Day 3

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<u>Reading</u>	<u>Math</u>	<u>Religion</u>	<u>PE</u>	<u>Spanish</u>	<u>Word Study</u>
Pick 5 different books. Find a special quiet place at home. Read by practicing pointing to the words. Do not forget that looking at the pictures. This is also part of reading.	Making shapes with toothpicks and playdough: Use these two items to create as many shapes as you can.	Create a card for someone that helps you at school. Bring the card to school to present to that special person.	Play a football game in the snow.	Children will pray The Sign of the Cross in Spanish: En el nombre del Padre, y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo Amen.	Use color pencils and practice rainbow writing your full name. Rainbow writing is tracing letters over with multiple colors.
Giant word search: in a big paper write different words you can find around your house.	Go outside and find rocks or sticks. Practice counting. How many rocks or sticks did you find?	The bible tells us stories about Jesus. Find one story in the bible and tell a grown up to read the story to you. Make a picture of the story.	Try to get 20 minutes of physical activity.	Children will continue from one to ten as they sing their song about the numbers!	Rhyme time: Find your favorite rhyme and practice saying the rhyme. Then find rhyming words in a book.
Sound Match: In a paper write the alphabet and go around the house and find items that begin with the sound.	Create a pattern with household objects, i.e. spoon, fork, spoon, fork (ABAB). Try a more complex pattern to try is AABB or ABCABC patterns.	Practice praying the Our Lord's Prayer.	Help someone, for example: help shovel your walkway(help a parent shovel your walkway) help shovel a neighbors walkway (have a brother , sister , cousin, go with you and do something nice for someone else)	Children will recall the color names as they listen to the story of Brown Bear and identify animals and their colors!	Find one book at home and write all the words you can recognize or read.



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