

Homework this year will consist of two parts. First, your child will have math packets that coincide with the math topic we are learning in class. Each day when your child completes a lesson at school, he or she will have an additional practice page in his/her math packet to complete.

The second part will consist of a weekly packet that will go home each Friday in your child’s folder. On the following Friday, the children should return the work packet completed to class.

 The Weekly Homework Packets will include the following work each week:

 1. Spelling Words for the Week – Word family words for the week along with a spelling menu with practice ideas

 2. Math Facts – Addition and/or subtraction fact fluency practice

 3. Reading Comprehension – Short stories and comprehension questions

4. Reading Log – Your child’s priority through first grade is to read, read, read! Please help your child meet the 20 minutes a day goal and record their minutes on the front of the homework packet.

For families interested in having challenge work, an **Optional** Weekly Challenge Homework packed may be requested. Please note that the Challenge Packet may NOT replace the regular packet, but can be done in addition to it.

 The Optional Challenge Packets will include the following work each week:

 1. Math Word Problems – The new Common Core State Standards emphasize real world problem solving and application.

 2. Grammar – Sentences, nouns, verbs, adverbs, etc. to strengthen writing.

 3. Reading Comprehension – Stories with comprehension questions

4. Writing Prompt – Many students struggle with creative writing as they

begin the upper elementary grade levels. I encourage students to become comfortable with writing and challenge themselves to strengthen their skills at a young age so they excel in later years.

Additionally, Snoqualmie Elementary School utilizes online educational resources. These resources provide practice with skills that meet Common Core State Standards. They are *optional* and may be used for both extra support and enrichment for your child at home. More information and log in directions will be given out to families in September.

I do understand busy schedules, sudden emergencies, illnesses, etc. occur and know that it may be difficult to help your child every night. I ask you to please let me know if homework is becoming a challenge. If so, I will work with you to best accommodate your child’s learning needs at home.

During some holiday breaks, I will not send home a homework packet. I will notify you in my weekly newsletter if there will be no weekly homework packet.

Thank you for all of your hard work and support at home. I appreciate the time you spend with your child reinforcing what he/she is learning in school!

During Curriculum Night, I will discuss the content of your child’s homework further. Until then, I encourage you to read daily and discuss what we are learning at home. Thank you so much for your time and support. Please contact me if at any time you have a question and/or concern. Thank you! ☺