

Homework Calendar Grades 4 to 6 February 2018

Homework - 15 minutes per night. Please aim to work with your child four times a week. These homework activities can be adjusted to fit your schedule and can be completed on nights that work best for your family. You can challenge or support your child by adjusting the tasks as needed.

Homework Week of February 5 to 9	Reading	Being able to understand written text is as important as being able to read it. Play this 'Roll and Retell' activity with your child to retell a story that you have read together: http://bit.ly/2B7ymIJ
	Cursive Writing	Your child is expected to use some cursive writing at this stage. Here is a link where you can locate cursive writing templates for each letter to support the work already taking place in your child's classroom: www.kidzone.ws/cursive/
	Keyboarding	Keyboarding will help your child communicate throughout his/her life. There are many typing games available. Here is a link to some online games: http://www.learninggamesforkids.com .
	Math	Math Card Game: Salute Materials Needed: Deck of cards Here is the link to the game instructions: http://bit.ly/2BMSaT4
	Special Events	Black history refers to the stories, experiences, and accomplishments of people of African origin. People connected by their common African history and ancestry have created black history here. The African-Canadian population is made up of individuals from a range of places including the United States, South America, the Caribbean, Europe, Africa, and Canada. Here is a link learn more about Canada's black history: http://bit.ly/2oZWDig . Think about the importance of inclusiveness.
Homework Week of February 12 to 16	Reading	Find ways to encourage your child to pick up another book. Introduce him or her to a series like 'A Series of Unfortunate Events' or to a second book by a favourite author, or ask the librarian for additional suggestions.
	Cursive Writing	Your child is expected to use some cursive writing in Grades 4 to 6. Here is a link provided where you can locate templates for each letter: www.kidzone.ws/cursive/
	Keyboarding	Keyboarding will help your child communicate throughout his/her life. There are many typing games available. Here is a link to some online games: http://www.learninggamesforkids.com
	Math	Brain Teasers: Try these brain teasers on Cool Math 4 Kids: https://www.coolmath4kids.com/brain-teasers/how-many-triangles Take a close look at the following figure...How many triangles can you find?
	Supporting Exceptional Learners	Did you know that approximately half a million Canadians are estimated to be living with significant vision loss? Some members of the blind/low vision community use Braille to read. Braille is a tactile system of raised dots representing letters of the alphabet and this is taught by Vision Itinerant Teachers in our schools. Check out Braille Literacy Canada to learn more: http://www.brailledliteracycanada.ca/home
	Special Events	February 15 is National Flag day in Canada. What do you know about the origin of the present day Canadian flag? Click on this link and read 10 interesting facts about it: http://bit.ly/2kqB3km

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Homework Week of February 19 to 23	Reading	Slumber Party Book Club: Choose a book to read as a family, then watch the movie together in your PJs. Talk about what you liked from the book and the movie (and don't forget, lots of popcorn). A great activity for Family Day!
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	Math	Tic Tac Toe: Two Different Games to Play <i>Total 15</i> - One player is odd numbers – 1, 3, 5, 7, 9; the other player is even numbers 0, 2, 4, 6, 8. Take turns to write your numbers. Odd numbers start. Use each number only once. The first person to complete a line that adds up to 15 is the winner. The line can have both odd and even numbers. <i>Odds and Evens</i> – One player is O's and one is X's. Players take turns to throw a dice. If an even number is thrown the player has to put a O. If an odd number is thrown the player puts a X. The object of the game is still to get 3 O's or 3 X's in a row.
	Special Events	The Winter Olympics are taking place February 9 to 25 in PyeongChang South Korea. Use this link to follow the athletes and to learn more about the different sports: https://olympic.ca/games/2018-pyeongchang/ . Read about one of the sports that you aren't as familiar with, such as the luge. Predict how many medals Canada will win and check the daily count. Also, learn about how South Korea is the same/different from life in Sudbury.
Homework Week of February 26 to March 2	Reading	Your child is growing up in a media-rich, technological world. Changes in society are happening so quickly that children need time to think about the underlying messages in print or in other media. Ask your child questions, such as, 'What is this book about? Why are you interested in reading it? What does the author of this news article want us to know or think? Does the writer want us to believe something?'
	Cursive Writing	Your child is expected to use some cursive writing at this stage. Here is a link provided where you can locate templates for each letter: www.kidzone.ws/cursive/ to support the work already in place in your child's classroom.
	Keyboarding	Keyboarding will help your child communicate throughout his/her life. There are many typing games available. Here is a link to some online games: http://www.learninggamesforkids.com .
	Math	Estimating measurements and quantities help your child to build their number sense and problem-solving skills. Check out the estimating challenges on the following website: http://www.estimation180.com/
	Special Events	February 28 is Pink Shirt Day. This year's focus is to combat cyberbullying. Talk with your child about their online life. They are at the beginning stages of developing a digital footprint. It is important to be respectful on the internet to other users. This link provides more information about dealing with cyberbullying: http://bit.ly/2CLKlw0