

Good morning Families!!! I hope that this past weekend has been a blessed time for all of you. My son turned 18 yesterday and it was an odd thing to celebrate such of a milestone event in isolation; definitely a birthday that won't be forgotten. Several of you have had birthdays to celebrate our students and other family members, as well. I hope that you find creative ways to celebrate whatever holidays and/or traditions that you will encounter during this social distancing. It is a time for innovative ideas for sure.

The new weekly activities are posted on our website. There are paper copies at the front of our school (in the same crate and format as last week). We hope that our students are enjoying the provided optional activities that our teachers plan.

There is not any new information in regard to school closure or any other activities related to Discovery at this time. Most of our families in Beta have heard, but I will restate that Beta has canceled their summer convention. There may be some virtual options and I am confident that Dr. Mall and Mr. Page will keep our students and families of Beta informed.

Below are some optional activities that our district math coordinator, Cindy Cliché has provided to all teachers and I wanted to share with our families.

1. Number Sense Resources: Shae Miga (Second Grade teacher at Reeves Rogers) shared the following resource which is a great Home to School Connection. The intent of the prompts is to bring mathematical conversations into the home. The content is organized by strands: number sense, patterning, geometry, measurement, and data management & probability. <https://mathbeforebed.com/>
2. Fluency Games:
This blog has several variations of the traditional game Tic-Tac-Toe. Here are the rules for Numbers Tic-Tac-Toe. You don't use Xs or Os for this version. Instead you use the numbers from 1 to 9, and each of these numbers can be played only once in a game. You take turns as usual. On your turn, write a number (that hasn't yet been used) in an empty square. The winner is the player who gets the numbers in any row, column, or diagonal to add up to 15. <http://www.marilynburnsmathblog.com/five-twists-on-tic-tac-toe>

Have a happy day!

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