

April 13-17

Dear Scholars,

Did you know the name for the month of April originally came for *Aprilis* which means to open? Small animals that hibernate are usually coming out of their burrows in April. The birds fly back northward and settle down to have their families. The bees and butterflies begin to gather nectar from the first flowers of the season! We miss you guys so much and we can't wait to get back to school. Here is your work to keep your brains growing this week. Remember to also read 30 minutes every day. Make sure you complete your work every day just like in school - practicing reading and math every day helps keep your brains active and strong! Your co-curricular teachers left some art and PE activities for you to do too. Stay safe and healthy!

Love,  
 Your Teachers

**Monday**

Read for 30 minutes every day!	
<b>Math</b>	On a separate sheet of paper solve the following problem using two different strategies. Don't forget to write your retell sentence. There were 26 apples on the ground. A storm knocked 12 more apples off the tree. How many apples are on the ground now?
<b>Literacy</b>	<u>Find the Sound:</u> In some words, the <i>long a</i> sound is spelled in an unusual way. 1. Copy the list of words below on a sheet of paper. they, key, eight, height, weigh, speak, steak 2. Circle words with the <i>long a</i> sound. 3. Underline the letters that make the <i>long a</i> sound.
<b>Art</b>	Draw a tree in spring. Will your tree be big or small? Will your tree have lots of branches or just a few?

<b>PE</b>	Using the alphabet workout sheet, do exercises to spell <b>MONDAY</b> and <b>SERVICE</b> . (follow @ms_browns_pe_class on instagram to see what the daily workout looks like)
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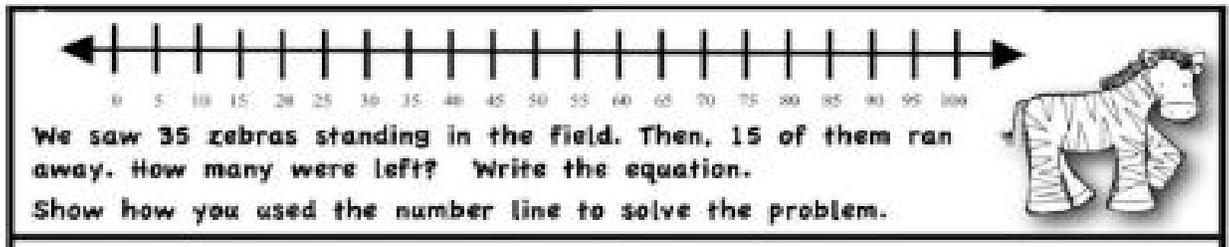
## Tuesday

Read for 30 minutes every day!									
<b>Math</b>	Ask a parent to lay out a pile of coins (between 15 - 20 coins). Close your eyes and pick 6 coins. Find the total sum of your 6 coins. If playing with a partner, the person with the highest total amount wins! <i>(If you do not have coins at home as a parent/guardian to draw 5 coins in a row for you to find the sum of).</i>								
<b>Literacy</b>	<p>Complete each poem with a word that rhymes.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">I love to fly</td> <td style="width: 50%;">I planted a seed,</td> </tr> <tr> <td>My kite so high.</td> <td>In spring it will grow.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Where does it fly?</td> <td>Now, it is asleep</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Up in the _____.</td> <td>Under the _____.</td> </tr> </table> <p>Now, complete each poem with a word that makes sense but does NOT rhyme. Do you still like the way each poem sounds? Why or why not? Draw and color a picture of each poem.</p>	I love to fly	I planted a seed,	My kite so high.	In spring it will grow.	Where does it fly?	Now, it is asleep	Up in the _____.	Under the _____.
I love to fly	I planted a seed,								
My kite so high.	In spring it will grow.								
Where does it fly?	Now, it is asleep								
Up in the _____.	Under the _____.								
<b>Art</b>	Draw a BIG geometric shape (circle, square, rectangle, triangle, oval, hexagon, etc.) and fill with little organic shapes (wiggly-jiggly).								
<b>PE</b>	Using the alphabet workout sheet, do exercises to spell <b>TUESDAY</b> and <b>CONSIDERATION</b> .								

Wednesday

Read for 30 minutes every day!

Math



We saw 35 zebras standing in the field. Then, 15 of them ran away. How many were left? Write the equation. Show how you used the number line to solve the problem.

(The image shows a number line. It says, “We saw 35 zebras standing in the field. Then, 15 of them ran away. How many were left? Write the equation. Show how you used the number line to solve the problem.”)

Literacy

*A New Language for Koko* by Aresia Brown

Can a gorilla talk? Gorillas do not form words the way humans do. But, one gorilla, Koko, learned sign language. She talked with her hands. And, she understood what humans said.

Dr. Penny Patterson is the scientist who taught sign language to Koko. She showed Koko a picture of the two of them together. Penny pointed to Koko in the picture and asked, “Who’s that?” Koko answered by signing her own name, Koko.

**Write a letter to the author to ask for more information about the story. Your letter should have a greeting, body paragraph, and closing.**

Art

Draw a butterfly. Try to make it symmetrical (both sides match). Will your butterfly’s wings have organic shapes (wiggly-jiggly) or geometric (precise shapes like circles, squares, rectangles, triangles, oval, hexagon, etc.)?

PE

Using the alphabet workout sheet, do exercises to spell **WEDNESDAY** and **RESPONSIBILITY**.

**Thursday**

Read for 30 minutes every day!	
<b>Math</b>	Draw a picture to show twenty-five. Use two different ways. (Be creative!) Then, create a word problem where the answer equals 25.
<b>Literacy</b>	Dinosaurs lived on Earth a long time ago. <u>Scientists</u> have learned a lot about these interesting creatures. For example, some dinosaurs were as big as 30 elephants. Other dinosaurs were as small as a chicken. Many dinosaurs ate plants. Others were <u>carnivores</u> . Dinosaurs became <u>extinct</u> a long time ago.  <b>Find and write definitions for the underlined words.</b>
<b>Art</b>	Imagine you are underwater. Draw what you might see.
<b>PE</b>	Using the alphabet workout sheet, do exercises to spell <b>THURSDAY</b> and <b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b> .

**Friday**

Read for 30 minutes every day!	
<b>Math</b>	<b>Toy Race</b> Choose two of your favorite toys and place them at the edge of the rug. Have a parent call out an addition or subtraction math problem and say the answer as quickly as you can. When you get it right, move one toy forward. Go back and forth between the two toys and see which toy gets to the end of the rug first! Be careful! If you get the answer wrong, or it takes too long, the toy will have to take a step backwards.
<b>Literacy</b>	<u>Charades</u> - Use your spelling words from Monday! <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">they, key, eight, height, weigh, speak, steak</div> Act out each word and have another person guess what you are acting out! The person only has <b>3 guesses</b> . When you are acting it out you can <u>NOT</u> make sounds or say anything. Have fun!

	Record yourself acting out at least 1 word and send it to your teacher! Your teachers will post on Dojo and parents can guess which word you are acting out too!
<b>Art</b>	Draw a picture of one of your teachers. If you can, e-mail or text a picture of your drawing to them. It will make their day!
<b>PE</b>	Using the alphabet workout sheet, do exercises to spell <b>FRIDAY</b> and <b>DOLPHINS</b> .

**Alma families, please follow**

Mr. Rego's art class on Instagram: **@alma\_douglass\_art**

**Send photos of your artwork to [chrisrego@almadelmar.org](mailto:chrisrego@almadelmar.org)**

**or tag the Instagram accounts**

and

Ms. Dooher's art class on Instagram: **@ms\_dooher\_art\_almadelmar**

**Check our Instagram accounts for step-by-step visual instructions and examples of completed projects.**

Send photos of finished artwork from your scholars and their siblings and your art teacher will post them to their art class account, (no names, just grade levels), to inspire our community to keep making beautiful and interesting art!

**Ms. Mello's PE class is on Instagram!**

**@Douglass\_PE\_Ms\_Mello**

Send pictures of yourself doing ANY physical activity to

[jaimemello@almadelmar.org](mailto:jaimemello@almadelmar.org)

## **Alphabet workout... use these workouts to spell the words of the day!**

- A- 10 jumping jacks
- B- 5 push- ups
- C- 1 burpee
- D- 20 high knees
- E- 5 sit ups
- F- 10 mountain climbers
- G- 5 squats
- H- 10 lunges
- I- 10 side lunges
- J- 20 mummy jacks
- K- 20 second plank
- L- 5 squat jumps
- M- 5 star jumps
- N- 10 seconds jump rope
- O- 10 toe touches
- P- 20 butt kicks
- Q- 10 opposite hand/ opposite foot touches
- R- 10 skaters
- S- 10 arm circles
- T- 20 scissor jumps
- U- 10 plank jacks
- V- 10 touchdown jacks
- W- 3 inchworms
- X- 10 seconds run in place
- Y- 10 seconds fast feet
- Z- 5 plie squats