

Fundations/Spelling Homework

Fundations: Attached is an Orientation to Fundations along with your child's Unit 1 homework packet. Please take the time to read over the material as well as the additional notes that have been written to help guide you and your child through the first unit. Homework packets are meant to further help students become familiar with the skills we are working on in class as well as prepare for their assessments. Fundations teaches concepts directly, introduces word and sentence structure, and encourages an understanding of words to improve development. Each week skills will be reviewed and built upon, strengthening previous concepts and providing a base for new information.

Students should complete their homework packet and **return it on the due date written at the top**. Please do not return the packet early as we are still learning the material/skills. This allows students to have the full length of time to become familiar with and practice the current skills at home in addition to school. Students will have however long the unit is to complete their homework packet (most units are two weeks in duration). The due date and date of the assessment will be communicated on each packet. Completed packets will be kept at school, however, assessments will be sent home through your child's end of the week Graded Folder.

We will begin Unit 1 Monday, August 19. Our first assessment, on August 30, will be a practice test and will not be graded. This will allow students to become familiar with the assessment format and how it is presented.

Spelling: Students will also be given 10 spelling words for each Fundations unit and follow the same assessment schedule as their Fundations schedule. To clarify, if the Fundations unit is more than one week long, students will have the same spelling words for more than one week. Spelling words will be written in your child's agenda book and will also be listed on the Weekly Newsletter emailed home each week. Studying their spelling words should be part of your child's weekly homework.