

Dear Students and Parents,

Over these next few weeks we will be working together to learn from home. This is a new experience for all of us and we will find what works best for us all during the process. If at any time during these upcoming weeks you have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached through email (shannon.mckibben@loganelm.org) or you can message me on Remind. For those of you who do not use Remind, I encourage you to sign up for it to keep you informed during these next few weeks. I have included a copy of how to sign up for our Remind class in the envelope.

Some other ways to stay informed include my class website (www.mrsmclass.com) and the school website which can be found at https://www.loganelm.org/pickawayelementary_home.aspx . I also have a Twitter feed @Pickaway4M where I will post updates as well.

While the students are out, I would like for them to do 2 things each day. First, I want them to log onto their Google Classroom account each day and check both their math and science classes. To log into Google Classroom the students can go to ***classroom.google.com*** and then log-in using their Google accounts. Their log-in information for Google is

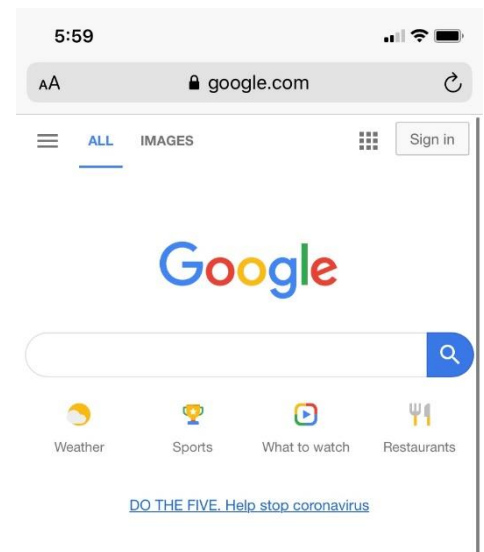
Username: first name.last name@loganelmschools.com

Password: initials *last two digits of lunch number* lesd

For example I would be shannon.mckibben@loganelmschools.com and my password would be sm04lesd.

Second, I want every student to go to our classroom blog on www.mrsmclass.com. It is called “Fabulous Fourth Grade” and it will be the best place for the students to get their information each day.

Every student can log into their Google account from their device. This will automatically load their bookmarks and passwords. It will give them easy access to Google Classroom and the other sites we will be using. To log into Google, just go to the Google search page and look in the top right corner for the



“Sign In” button. They will use their Google account information from above to log-in.

In addition to Google Classroom, we will be using IXL.com to practice math. Their log-in information for IXL is attached to this letter. Their IXL usernames are first initial, last name @loganelm and their passwords are their Google passwords. For example, I would be smckibben@loganelm and my password would be sm04lesd.

Finally, we will be using websites such as Redbird, Flipgrid, and Mystery Science these next few weeks. As we start using them, I will make sure to post instructions for how to log-in on the blog and in Google Classroom and Remind. Some activities may require a specific session code which they will get from me. If you have not yet found a way to stay connected with me, I encourage you to sign up with Remind or send me an e-mail.

My goal for these next few weeks is to make learning a quality and engaging experience for the students. I also want the parents to not feel overwhelmed or anxious. Please contact me at any time. I am really going to miss my students. They brighten my day. Everyone stay safe and get ready for our new adventure in learning.

Thank you,
Shannon McKibben

Week #1 – Blizzard Bag #1, #2, and #3

Also check in with Google Classroom starting on Tuesday

Week #2 – We will be working online and using our Stepping Stones workbooks

Details each day on Google Classroom

I have included some magazines that you are welcome to work from as well. These are not required, but I figured some of you would enjoy them.

