

Dear *First and Second Period* Students and Language Arts Families,

This is a unique situation for all of us, but I plan on being here and helping you as much as I can via the internet. Right now, more than ever, it is time for you to take charge of your learning. There are many things you can do at home. First and foremost- READ every single day.

In addition to reading here are a few things you can work on independently:

Finish your CBA the best you can and share it with me.

If you have internet access:

I suggest you visit: [www.scholastic.com/learnathome](http://www.scholastic.com/learnathome) - choose what looks interesting!

You can use your SpringBoard Digital account (accessed through Clever) to work through some writing workshops. The workshop tab is shown right on the page that opens – you will have to choose “Writing” and “Grade 8” from the drop-down menus.

NoRedInk is an awesome site to practice grammar.

You can go to Moby Max and do any of the activities in Language, Vocabulary and Writing.

Please, please, please...Minimize video games and cell phone time.

\*If you do not have internet access, student laptops will be available for check-out for students based on need and availability. Information on the check-out process will be made available on the district website on March 17<sup>th</sup>. Internet access will be supported by providing hotspots and coordinating with community partners. I have also heard Comcast will be offering free internet for 60 days.

The packet I attached is just in case you do not have internet. I would rather you focus on reading and scholastic after your CBA is finished. Email me with any questions!

There will most likely be more information to follow, as this is uncharted territory. I am learning as fast as I can and will get information to you as I know more about how the next six weeks will look.

My first choice, of course, is for us to be able to be at school. This is difficult, but do know, you are cared about and loved by all here at Chase. You are important. With that being said, take charge of your learning- connect with your teachers. We want to hear how you are, what you are doing, reading and how you are feeling.

I look forward to seeing you all in April.

Take Care,

Mrs. McLaughlin and Mr. Harris

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