Hello 5th Grade Families!

We miss you and hope that all of you are doing well. As we embark on this new journey entitled "Distance Learning", we thought we should share some important information with you in order to make this process easier.

1. Your teachers will be posting assignments and activities in their Google Classroom. Most students have already joined, but just in case:

Directions for accessing Google Classroom:

- Start at Google.com
- Have your child sign in under his/her SCHOOL account:
 - Username: <u>firstname.lastname@k12.wcsdny.org</u>
 - PW: FirstnameID#
- Once into Google Classroom, have students find and click the + symbol (on the top right), and add his/her teacher's class code. If you do not have the codes, please email the teacher!
- 2. Each class will have a quick check-in tomorrow, Thursday, April 2nd to make sure that all students are able to access Google Classroom with their devices.
- 3. New material will be posted beginning on Friday, April 3rd. Students should check their classrooms regularly for announcements and updates.
- 4. Teachers will be available from 8-3. You can contact us through email and we will get back to you as soon as possible. More specific information about reaching your teachers can be found on their Google Classrooms.
- 5. Daily reading and practicing math facts will help to maintain skills.

We can imagine that this is a huge adjustment and may be overwhelming to switch from classroom-based to home-based learning. We in no way expect our students (and parents) to complete hours of computer work daily. We understand that technology can be "glitchy" and sometimes unreliable. We get that many students share devices with siblings and parents so timing can be a factor. Our goal is to take things slow, offering meaningful learning opportunities for our students, while providing support along the way. Rest assured, while you may not see our faces daily, we are still here. We are still present. And, we still care.

The Kinry 5th Grade Teachers