

Hello incoming 5th graders!

We are excited to have you in our 5th grade class for 2020/21. It will be an interesting year, for sure!

Cursive Packet- Please complete this, so that you have practice doing cursive. All writing is expected to be in cursive during the 5th-grade year. It helps to slow down, think about what you are writing, and remember information more clearly. [You may click here for the pdf of the cursive packet.](#)

Recommended reading:

1. **Island of the Blue Dolphins**- Scott O'Dell- Mr. O'Dell was a terrific writer, and showed great respect for the indigenous people of our country. The setting of this book is the islands of the shores of California. The indigenous people are the people who came to this land first, commonly referred to as Native Americans.

2. **Where the Red Fern Grows**- Wilson Rawls- A beautiful book written about a young boy in the 1920's rural Oklahoma, who longs for a dog so that he can hunt raccoons and have a friend. His journey to earn the dogs, and their adventures, are amazing.

Please consider reading one or both of these books this summer.
Looking forward to a great new year! Mrs. Regester

Math Recommendation from Mr. McConnell

Log onto your Dreambox account and do one-half hour of Dreambox per week.

Please look on the next page for instructions to log onto Dreambox.



Dear Parent/Guardian,

St. Francis Xavier School has purchased **DreamBox Learning's Math Program**, an online, Intelligent Adaptive Learning(tm) program that helps all students achieve better, faster math proficiency.

Your student can access DreamBox Learning from any computer, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week using this link:

<https://play.dreambox.com/login/evtw/stfxs>

DreamBox is an online program - there's no software to download! All you need is a high-speed Internet connection and Adobe Flash. Adobe Flash is free and is included with many Internet browsers.

To access DreamBox on iPad, go to <http://www.dreambox.com/ipad>, or search for "DreamBox Math" in the App Store. Download DreamBox Math Green and DreamBox Math Blue to ensure your student has access to the full catalog of DreamBox Learning Math lessons. When prompted in the app, use this School Code:

evtw/stfxs

Review your student's academic progress with a DreamBox Parent Account.

Please follow these steps to create your free Parent Account:

1. Go to <https://play.dreambox.com/login/evtw/stfxs>
2. Have your student login to their profile just as they would at school.
3. Click *Setup Parent Access* at the bottom of the page.
4. Follow instructions to create a new login and password.
5. Read *Terms of Use* and *Privacy Policy*.
6. Click "Submit".

Log into your home account after set up:

1. Go to <http://play.dreambox.com>
2. Enter your email address and password.
3. To see student progress, click the "Family Dashboard" button.

If you have any questions, please contact DreamBox Client Care by calling them at 877-451-7845 (weekdays 5 a.m. to 5 p.m., Pacific Time), or email support@dreambox.com.

Sincerely,
St. Francis Xavier School