

# May Is Research Month!

## Library and Technology Collaborative Projects Week 2!

Boys and girls,

Mrs. Seymour and I, with help from Ms. Silag, from Memorial School, are working together to create a month-long series of lessons around research! We've collected a lot of good videos, web resources and games to help us in our quest. Grades 1 and 2 will find a packet for their research, BUT you are not expected to do all the pages at once! We'll have you do each task one week at a time. Mrs. Seymour has some really interesting options for the final product!

Also know that these activities are not mandatory. If you are finding that the work your classroom teacher is giving you is keeping you pretty busy, then do only the parts you can. We want you to have fun as you explore!

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Grade	Library	Technology
<p><b><u>Kindergarten</u></b></p> <p><b>Mammals</b></p>	<p>Dear K Parents - By now I am hoping your Kindergartener has chosen a mammal to research and has already taken notes about what the animal looks like. If not, it's not too late! This week, we will be researching and taking notes on these note sheets about where <a href="#">our mammal lives</a> and <a href="#">what our mammal eats</a> - or any paper you have at home. Use books from home or use the online sources listed here in the Technology column to look for answers. Depending on your child's reading level and writing ability, they may or may not require adult assistance. Please send me photos of your research work - I'd love to see it and share it!</p> <p><a href="#">Here's a little video</a> about what we're doing this week</p>	<p><b><u>Online Resources</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">National Geographic Kids Mammal Pictures and Facts</a></p> <p><a href="#">Introduction to Mammals</a></p> <p><a href="#">Enchanted Learning Picture Dictionary</a> (click on the letter of the alphabet to find your animal) (See the last two slides for the username and password.)</p> <p><a href="#">Kidtopia Search Engine</a>-search for your animal and get kid friendly results</p> <p><a href="#">Britannica School Mammals</a>-has a read aloud ability so you can listen to the words being read! Click the play button on the top of the article!</p> <p><b><u>Animal Games</u></b></p> <p>Check out the <a href="#">Kids Corner</a> from the Franklin Park Zoo! There are a ton of games and activities to have fun with!</p> <p><a href="#">Meet the different animals</a> at the Franklin Park Zoo!</p>

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<p><b><u>Grade 1</u></b></p> <p><b>Ocean Animals</b></p>	<p>Hopefully last week you chose an Ocean Animal to research and made notes of what your animal looks like! This week we are researching about what our ocean animals eat. Find the note taking sheet in your packet with the Topic Question: 'What does my animal eat and how does it get its food?' and then use books from home or use the online sources listed here in the Technology column to look for answers. Here is the entire <a href="#">note taking packet</a> if you didn't print it out last week. Please <a href="#">play this video</a> so I can explain to what we are doing!</p>	<p><b><u>Online Resources</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Enchanted Learning Ocean Animals</a> (See the last two slides for the username and password.)</p> <p><a href="#">Britannica School Ocean Animals</a>-has a read aloud ability so you can listen to the words being read! Click the play button on the top of the article!</p> <p><a href="#">Kidtopia Search Engine</a>-search for your animal and get kid friendly results</p> <p><a href="#">Science Kids Animal Facts</a>-more animals listed toward the bottom of the page</p> <p><b><u>Ocean Animal Games and Fun</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">What Kind Of Animal Is This?</a></p> <p><a href="#">What Kind of Shark Are You?</a></p> <p><a href="#">Dolphin Diving Game</a></p> <p><a href="#">Krill Smackdown</a></p> <p>Listen to Kate Messner read her book <a href="#">The Brilliant Deep: Rebuilding The World's Coral Oceans</a></p> <p>Check out <a href="#">some ocean animals in the underwater camera</a> at the New England Aquarium!</p>

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<p><b><u>Grade 2</u></b></p> <p><b>Rainforest Animals</b></p>	<p>Hello Friends! Did you start your rain forest animal research? This week, I want you to pick up wherever you left off with your research last week. If you're on page 2 of our research packet then you will be researching 'What does my animal eat and where does it get its food?' You may use books from home or use the online sources listed here in the Technology column to look for answers. Here is the <a href="#">note taking packet</a> if you didn't print it out yet. Take pictures of your research notes and send them to me! I want to see what you are working on and share it with the EES community! <a href="#">Watch this video</a> for a few research reminders for you my friends!</p>	<p><b><u>Online Resources</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Britannica School Rainforest Animals</a>-has a read aloud ability so you can listen to the words being read! Click the play button on the top of the article!</p> <p><a href="#">Kidtopia Search Engine</a>-search for your animal and get kid friendly results</p> <p><a href="#">National Geographic Kids</a>-Lots of information on different animals</p> <p><b><u>Animal Games and Fun</u></b></p> <p>Check out the <a href="#">Kids Corner</a> from the Franklin Park Zoo! There are a ton of games and activities to have fun with! See if you can find the games and activities about Rainforest Animals!</p> <p>Listen to author Kate Messner read her new book <a href="#">Over And Under The Rainforest</a></p>

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<p><b><u>Grade 3</u></b></p> <p><b>Author Study</b></p>	<p>Hello third graders! Did you start your Author Study Research Project?! If you haven't already, please email me the name of the author you are researching to <a href="mailto:hardys@mersd.org">hardys@mersd.org</a> or by going to our Grade 3 Library Google Classroom! After you complete <a href="#">this research packet</a> which you have several weeks to complete, we will offer you different options to make a final product to share your Author Study. Then we will share your work via Padlet (an online bulletin board.) I can't to see your work. Take a photo of your research notes and share them with me at <a href="mailto:hardys@mersd.org">hardys@mersd.org</a></p>	<p><u>Online Resources</u></p> <p><a href="#">Author Study Pathfinder</a>-scroll through the list to find links to information about your author</p> <p><u>Extra Author/Illustrator Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Watch an interview with <a href="#">Judy Blume</a></li><li>• Do some lunch doodles with <a href="#">Mo Willems</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Stay At Home Storytime</a> with author/illustrator Oliver Jeffers</li><li>• Listen to Peter Reynolds read his book <a href="#">Be You!</a></li></ul> <p>Next week I will give you some online and offline choices to use for your final product!</p>

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<p data-bbox="48 651 297 768"><b><u>Grade 4 and 5</u></b> <b>Interviews</b></p>	<p data-bbox="340 298 1093 1120">Now that you are 'refreshed' on the topic of primary vs. secondary sources, you are going to start creating one! First step: watch the BrainPop© video and the interview links in the technology column to the right. Next, think about a topic like a favorite activity, song, game or movie. The next step is to write up a list of questions to ask your interviewee about the chosen topic. Pick a family member to interview. It can be someone living in your home or someone you can interview over the phone. Using your questions, conduct the interview. This experience will help you to become more comfortable asking questions and with recording their answers. See Mrs. Seymour's links to the right for information on how to record interviews.</p>	<p data-bbox="1128 298 1624 334"><b><u>Conducting An Interview</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="1128 350 1837 426">If you haven't watched the BrainPop video on Interviews you can <a href="#">re-watch it here!</a></p> <p data-bbox="1128 498 1518 534"><b><u>Interview Examples</u></b></p> <ul data-bbox="1161 546 1866 651" style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Listen to an interview with <a href="#">Tom Brady</a></li><li>• Listen to an interview with <a href="#">Taylor Swift</a></li><li>• Listen to a short interview with <a href="#">JK Rowling</a></li></ul> <p data-bbox="1128 707 1734 744"><b><u>How Can I Record My Interview?</u></b></p> <ul data-bbox="1161 756 1881 1048" style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Voice Memo App on iPhone, iPad or Mac computer-<a href="#">Short Tutorial</a></li><li>• Camera app (video mode) on iPhone or iPad</li><li>• Use Voice Recorder on Windows 10-<a href="#">Short Tutorial</a></li><li>• Type out your interview on a Google Doc</li><li>• Write your questions and answers with paper and pencil/pen</li></ul>

# Library-Related Resources

## EES Library Website

- Research Tools - Links to the online databases

## BrainPop Jr and BrainPop

### Educational Videos and Activities

Username: mersdessex

Password: essex

## Caught In The Web

- Research Tools
- Direct links to our school subscription services
- Student Showcase-Student Created Digital Projects
- Educational Games

## Burnham Library's Virtual Library

- Find ebooks and audiobooks for the whole family! Public Library account is required.

## Enchanted Learning

Username: ees

Password: essex

# Technology Class Resources

## Technology Class Website

### [Caught In The Web](#)

- Educational Games
- Direct links to our school subscription services
- Student Showcase-Student Created Digital Projects

## [BrainPop Jr](#) and [BrainPop](#)

Educational Videos and Activities

Username: mersdessex

Password: essex

## [ABC Ya](#)

Educational Games by grade level

Get rid of ads with our school account

Username: tucks

Password: point

## Keyboarding Practice 4th & 5th Grade

[Learning.com](#)

District: Manchester Essex