

Dear Students,

Hello my darling chickadees! I seriously miss you guys so much! I think about you every single day. I wonder what you've been up to. What do your days look like now? Are you finding things to keep you busy? Are you over being inside yet? Are your siblings getting on your nerves? Are you worried about everything that's going on with the virus? I hope not, but it's totally understandable if you are. This whole situation feels really weird. What kinds of things are you finding to do during the day? Have you been doing any schoolwork? Eating a lot of snacks? Talking to each other in group chats? What book are you reading? Have you done any art at home? I can't wait to get back into our classroom so I can hear your stories and get back to learning.

What have I been up to you might ask? I've been doing work for school, hanging out with the girls; I've got to keep an eye on them because if I don't, they try to eat snacks all day! We've watched some movies-I finally saw Frozen 2! The dogs love that we're home all day, but Jaxx (the younger one) is driving us all crazy. We've taken many walks around the neighborhood, played some games, and I've been having the girls do some schoolwork every day. The girls have been practicing their cooking too. Aniya has been making desserts for everyone and Jayda tried to make a stir fry for dinner the other night...that didn't go well, at all. Isabella doesn't want to cook anything except pasta, so she's been eating A LOT of pasta.

If you're reading this letter, then that means you found the spot where Mrs. Ramirez and I will be posting some new assignments and activities for all the 4<sup>th</sup> graders to do. We'll be posting about three assignments here each week for you to do at home. This week there is some reading and questions about Costal Native Americans, a math scavenger hunt, an origami canoe activity, and a fun ad libs activity. Just like the packets, these assignments are not mandatory, and I won't be grading them. But they are good practice, so you don't forget things you've worked so hard to learn this year. If you want to email your work or answers to me, I'd be happy to give you feedback, but you don't have to. If you want to write me a letter/email too you can! I'd love to hear what you guys have been up to. If you have any questions about any of the work, please let me know!

Love,

Ms. Taylor