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How I Spent the Unexpected Days Off

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On one of my computer science assignments I asked students in grades 4-7 to type a couple of lines on 'how they spent their unexpective days off from school.' During the Covid-19 days there have been times to reflect on home duties, family, work, play, and religion. Personally, I feel that this is a period of time that is purposefully given to mankind by God in order to reflect on oneself.

Certainly a child is perplexed on all these different circumstances of quarantine, face mask, social distance, and even media entertainment. This young generation will experience other challenges in their future that may be even greater than this coronavirus pandemic; however, one must live by knowing that God is with you and He will protect you as long as you believe in Him. Living in fear I discovered won't help you survive, but the power of prayer will guide you day-by-day. I hope you find a moment of pleasure reading some of the students' comments as much as I have enjoyed them.

Jenae Roberts-Grade 4

For 14 days I spent my unexpected days by staying in the house. While inside I did gymnastics on my mat and did line dancing with my grandmother. Now I go for walks with my mother and ride my bike. I also planted a garden at my next door neighbor's house. She had me take care of it every day. I planted tomatoes, garlic, onions, green beans and peppers. It was fun. We also painted bricks for the yards.

My mom and I go to the grocery store really early only on Saturday mornings. She lets me do my own shopping, but I have a list. We get Starbucks. I get a green tea or a decaf latte. I wear my face mask when I go out and eat healthy food. Since I have asthma I try to stay safe so I don't get the coronavirus because I can get it easily. Stay safe. We are in this all together. Miss you and love you.

HAPPINESS IS



...an unexpected
day off.

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Points of Interest

- **May 22 End of Quarter 4 Report cards distributed. Call office for pick-up. Online report cards will also be given to parents with email access.**
- **Summer school will start on June 1. Check with homeroom teacher for details.**

Diamond Miliner-Grade 7

I spent the days off doing my work, and not going to sleep until late at night. Helping my brother and my friends with their homework and talking on the phone I basically chill while I wait for summer and for school to start back up. I have been bored in the house, waiting for quarantine to be over. I am still going outside. I miss some of you a lot, and I wish we can have one more day of school until summer.

Josiah McDougal-Grade 4

I spent my time doing homework and learning how to use the classroom Zoom. I went to work with my grandma every day. I had to get up early and make my bed. I played with my brother. I played on my iPhone. On Sundays I watched my church service with my grandma and my brother.

We watched plenty of news stories about COVID-19. I looked at pets because I want to get a dog so I searched for puppies. I learned how to make an apple crisp dessert by myself with my grandma, and I learned how to make cream of wheat and oatmeal.

Jariyah Walker-Grade 5

I get to sleep in. I do miss my friends. We mostly stay in the house and watch movies. Other than that "I'm having fun!"

London Bennett-Grade 6

During this time of the coronavirus my family and I have been trying to stay safe. We have been staying at home. We would only leave the house if we need to go to the store. When I am at home all I do is clean, eat, sleep, do my homework, and play on my tablet. I would sometimes go outside to get some fresh air.

It has been going well at home. It is also fun because I have a Xbox that I could watch movies on and play games on. It has also been fun because I can sleep for a long time now. When you are at home you can be safe and healthy. Also you can turn in your homework at a reasonable time without rushing.

Ambreonna Slaughter-Grade 5 I've been working and playing games. I also have been getting together with family and friends.