Welcome to 3rd Grade Network!

Think about your day.

How did you incorporate play into your day?

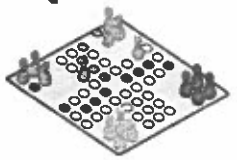
Where would you like to add it?

Where would you need support in order to add play into your schedule?

Why: Research shows that play builds the most important social skills that our students need to be successful academically, socially, and emotionally. (Ex: turn taking, how to wait, relationship skills, how to lose, language acquisition, communication skills, self-control, how to problem solve, imagination, self-esteem, and so on!)

https://blog.edmentum.com/play-based-learning-what-it-and-why-it-should-be-part-every-classroom

Drop Everything and PLAY!



Objective: Provide a safe and loving opportunity to improve social skills through play.

The Do's:

- ★ Observe, model, instruct or play with students throughout this play time
- ★ Allow all students to play no matter what
- ★ HAVE FUN!

The Don'ts:

- ★ Do not check emails, grade papers, use this as a teacher prep time
- ★ Do not take away this time as a consequence
- ★ Do not make students earn this play time
- ★ Do not allow electronics or activities that are independent. If students want to color make it a group activity.

Play Starter Kit

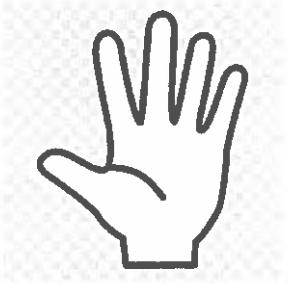
- ★ Free play (blocks, dolls, etc.)
- ★ Duck, Duck, Goose
- ★ Mum Ball
- ★ Going to the playground
- ★ Heads Up 7-Up
- ★ Four Corners
- ★ Statues in the Park
- ★ Charades
- ★ Mother May I
- ★ Red Light, Green Light
- ★ Kick Ball
- ★ Tag
- ★ Red Rover
- ★ Hop Scotch
- ★ Tic, Tac, Toe
- ★ Simon Says
- ★ Eye Spy
- ★ Board Games
- ★ Card Games (Uno, Go Fish, etc.)
- ★ Hot Potato
- ★ Spud
- ★ Guess Who (using the students in your classroom)
- ★ BINGO

Where else can we play?

- Vocabulary
- Math facts
- Social studies/history
- Recess of course

What are the obstacles?

- Time
- Money
- Students lack skills to play
- Administrative support?



Future Meetings

- November 21 - Small groups - How to use and manage small groups with limited support.
- January 16 - State test Prep - How do we set up students for success in high stakes testing?

Thanks for coming!

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