

Dear Parents:

We are excited to let you know that our class will be using Write About, an online publishing platform made for schools, to help students become better writers! Write About provides a safe and fun way to encourage students to write, share their writing, and to participate in positive writing communities.

**On Write About, students will be able to:**

- Find visual writing ideas created by teachers
- Write about the provided photo prompts or add images to their own posts
- Optional voice recording feature to add audio to posts
- Choose to make their writing public or private
- Receive audio or text feedback on writing from their teacher
- Browse and join teacher-created writing groups that may be public or private
- Share writing to groups they have joined
- Participate in group discussions that are monitored by the teacher (students cannot send private messages to other students)
- Leave positive comments on other student writing (monitored by the teacher) and receive comments on their own writing


**Safety and Privacy measures on Write About**

The only information required from students to set up a Write About account is the teacher's code, their first name, and a username and password.

- Teachers monitor student work/interactions and have control over what can be published
- Only first names are displayed with student work
- Only writing designated as Public will be visible online
- Writers and commenters are registered teachers and students
- Guest Comments are moderated by the teacher

See more information at [writeabout.com/privacy](http://writeabout.com/privacy) and [writeabout.com/online-safety](http://writeabout.com/online-safety)

We hope that your child will enjoy this new journey with digital writing! Consider having them show you their Author Page by logging in at home to [www.writeabout.com](http://www.writeabout.com).

Our Public Class Feed is located at: [writeabout.com/class/](http://writeabout.com/class/) 

Please leave encouraging Guest Comments on your child's writing as well as for their classmates!

Please sign, detach and return the section below:

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I give consent for my child, listed below, to use a Write About account associated with their teacher

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_