



Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

I am pleased to tell you that we will once again be using the website IXL to support our math class this year. IXL is a comprehensive math review site with an unlimited number of practice questions in thousands of skills—all of which are aligned to state standards. One of the best things about IXL is that your child can access it from home, so you have a chance to see your child's progress!

To get your child started on your home computer, please follow these easy steps:

1. Go to <https://www.IXL.com/signin/islandtrees>
2. Enter your child's username and password and click *Sign in*.

**Username** \_\_\_\_\_ **@islandtrees**      **Password** \_\_\_\_\_

3. Click on *Math* at the top of the page and navigate to your child’s grade.
4. Find a skill to practice by doing one of the following:
  - Select a specific skill to practice from the list of skills. You can place your mouse over any skill to see a sample question and click on the link to begin.
  - Go to the *Awards* section. Each grade level presents challenges for your child to conquer and virtual prizes to be uncovered. Place your mouse over any challenge to begin.

In addition to making practice exciting, IXL is designed to help your child learn at his or her own pace. The program is adaptive and will adjust based on your child's demonstrated understanding of the material. All of your child's results will be saved, so you can monitor his or her progress anytime by clicking on the *Analytics* tab at the top of the page. For on-the-go practice, you can download IXL’s free tablet apps for iPad, Android, or Kindle and sign in with your child’s username and password.

**Beginning the month of October students will be required to spend a minimum of 1 hour on IXL per month. It will count as 5 HW assignments.** Students may be asked to go on IXL during regular math class or math skills (*if applicable*) at times. I hope you'll encourage your child to use IXL at home. Here's to a year of working together to make math fun for the students!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. McNamara

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**\*Please sign & return this bottom portion:**

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

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