

Dear Parents or Guardian:

Your student has been using the ST Math software program at Dugan Elementary. The students play visual math "games." Your student's teacher is now able to make selected games available for use from a computer with an internet connection at home. This added feature allows your child to play "JiJi Math" games at home. Games will only be accessible from home if the teacher assigns them as "homework". Your student will access the program just as they do at school and, just as at school, they need to play and win the games themselves to get the math learning benefit. The games should not be shared by others in the home. Your student is used to the ST Math method, which involves solving often complex puzzles. They start at very simple levels, which gradually get more difficult. The ST Math program is designed so that each student reaches a challenging level for them. They may get temporarily "stuck" at a level. This is normal, and the classroom teacher can monitor whether they are stuck for too long. When they reach a learning hurdle, they should try to reason their way to a solution. The software gives constant feedback to show why any answer is right or wrong.

Instructions:

1. Enter web.stmath.com in the address line of your web browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox or Safari are recommended).
2. Click on the big JiJi (penguin).
3. **Only if this is the first time logging in at home, you will be asked to enter the homework activation code provided by your school.**
4. Your student will then see a familiar password screen, and will enter his/her password exactly as in school, and complete assigned games. (If there are no games visible, the teacher has not assigned new homework to be completed).
5. After playing, the child should always use the button on the bottom-left of the screen (just like at school) to exit the program and ensure that progress is recorded.

Optional: Create a bookmark or shortcut in your web browser for future access.