**Literacy Homework:**

**Rough Draft: Opinion Essay**

Due: Monday 2/2/15

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

This week you will be writing a rough draft of an opinion essay. Remember, an opinion is not a fact, but an idea about something based on evidence.

Your rough draft must be:

* Typed (or neatly hand-written if you do not have access to a computer)
* Times New Roman (or a nice font), double spaced, 12-font
* Have a title

If you need to email me your final draft due to printer difficulties you can email it to me at: ms.katie@academyoflit.org

The structure of your opinion essay should look like this:

*Paragraph 1:* Introduce your topic, state your opinion.

*Paragraph 2-4:* Discuss and analyze your opinion using facts from researching the internet. Typically, each paragraph would discuss one supporting factor.

*Paragraph 3:* Conclusion about your opinion; final statement about why this is your opinion.

Remember, each paragraph should have a topic sentence, 3 supporting details, and a concluding sentence. It’s just like the structure of a paragraph!

Example of a paragraph:

Chicken is delicious. I love to make new crock pot recipes with different spices and chicken. During the summer, barbecue chicken goes well with corn and potatoes. Chicken does not only taste good, but is good protein as well. I enjoy eating chicken.

Here are the topics you can choose to write your opinion essay on. If you want to write about something else, please run it by me first.

1. Do you think there should be homework at school? Why or why not?
2. Do you think everyone should have a pet? Why or why not?
3. Do you think you should have to wear a uniform to school? Why or why not?