Ideas for Practicing Reading Fluency

Access to Reading Materials on the Web

RAZ Kids- students can use their log in from school

Epic Books- Please contact Mrs. Larimer if you do not have access through your child's teacher.

Overdrive- Montgomery County Library has electronic resources available.

Modeling Fluent Reading Read aloud to your child. Use plenty of expression and emotion. You can read and have them follow along with the text or just read and have them listen.
Repeated Reading Have your child practice re-reading stories with a focus on making his/her reading sound like talking.
Choral Reading Choose a book at your child's reading level. Have your child follow along in the text as you read. Then re-read the text and have your child read with you. You may want to start slowly and then re-read the text a little more quickly the next time.
Echo Reading This is similar to choral reading, but you read a section of the text first and then have your child repeat the text on his/her own.
Listening and Reading Children can listen to audio books and read along at the same time. RAZ Kids and Epic Books both offer audio along with the printed text.
Independent Reading Help your child find books at his/her reading level and have him/her read aloud. Children can read to parents, siblings, pets or stuffed animals. Maybe your child would like to practice a favorite book and read to family or friends via FaceTime or Skype.
Poetry Reading Poems offer a fun way to practice reading. The rhythm and rhyme help build fluency. Here are some online poetry resources. Poets.org   Ken Nesbitt's Poetry 4 Kids   Mother Goose
Timed Reading Set a timer for one minute and have your child read a passage. Notice where your child missed a word or had trouble reading smoothly. Go over those mistakes. Then set the timer again and have your child re-read the passage. He/she should get a bit further with each re-reading.