For the week ending October 17th, 2014

Language Arts

We will begin the huge unit on the thirteen colonies. It's a massive unit. The students will read Chapter 5 to gain background knowledge on the New England Colonies. I will be reading aloud a book in class to the students called If You Lived in Colonial Times. The language isn't the quality as our other two texts, but it will help the students understand the way of life in the colonies. They will be taking quizzes throughout the book. The students will be using their textbook as well (Chapters 5-7 pages 184-280). We will also read Mary of Plymouth that is on my website. We will skip one part.

In Writer's Workshop, the students will begin their explorer report. It will be an unquided piece. We will review suffixes, verb tenses, synonyms & antonyms, & the different kinds of sentences. I will teach the students the differences between fragments, run-ons, & complete sentences.

Math

Please practice basic facts at home. We will assess the concept multiplication on Tuesday. We will finish our unit on factors and multiples before we began the division unit.



Box Tops for Education!

Save your box tops for the contest! www.boxtops4education.com

Your child should read nightly for at least 20 minutes. Please listen to your child read and discuss the book when you have time to do this. This will help your child with fluency and comprehension.

Did you know that Mulberry's first fifth grade class will be graduating seniors this spring? To celebrate this milestone, the Be the Change Club is sponsoring a scholarship to recognize a deserving senior who honors the principles of BTC: Service, leadership, and character. BTC will be selling Happy Fall Y'all Grams on Monday, October 27-Wednesday, October 28. The cost is \$1 and students may purchase the fall themed treats in the main hallway between 7:45 and 8:15 each morning. Thank you for helping BTC honor our alumni! Once a Meerkat, always a Meerkat!

Social Studies

We will begin the enormous unit on the Thirteen Colonies next week. The first unit will be Chapter 5 in the textbook on the New England Colonies. We will spend 2-3 weeks learning the material. If we learn the foundation then the Middle Colonies (Ch. 6) & the Southern Colonies (Ch. 7) will be a breeze. Remember studying nightly for 10 minutes will help your child be

successful on quizzes & assessments.

Science

We are learning about the Solar System. We talked about scientists using a telescope to view objects far away, listing the planets in order, and classifying the 8 planets as inner or outer planets. This week we learned additional facts on the planets.

We have guidance on every Monday for 4 weeks with Mrs. Long.



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Daily Lunch: 11:45-12:15

Upcoming Events

Return Friday folders on Monday. Please sign and return the passport (conduct/effort) report in the Friday folder.

Report Cards will come home on Monday. Please return the envelope signed to school on Tuesday.

Pastry Party for all A's is on 10/30/14

The week of 10/27 is RED RIBBON week! Please read the Mulberry Messenger or check out the website for all the fun activities that will be aoina on!

Great Days of Service:

We will be collecting toiletry items Oct. 20th -24th. (Fourth grade is collecting socks. Dollar Tree has socks for \$1.00.) Marisa, Jordan, & Lily F. has already brought socks in.

Happy Birthday Tatyana!

Are you reading The Fantastic Secret of Owen Jester?

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