For the week ending March 13th, 2015

Language Arts

We are learning about poetry. The students will be writing poetry in class too. There's a lot of vocabulary and figurative language with this

Mrs. Gierlach is reading Little House in the Big Woods to us on Tuesday & Thursday for westward expansion.

In Writer's Workshop, the students will continue to work on using the RACE strategy to complete the constructed responses (2 pts.), extended responses (4pts.) on the GA Milestones as well as the essay. The essay will be scored out of 7 pts. Ms. Lambes will continue to remind students how important revising is in the writing process. We will continue to review subjects & predicts, verb tenses, synonyms & antonyms, & the different kinds of sentences, the differences between fragments, run-ons, & complete sentences. I taught articles, & prepositions.

Math

We are learning about measuring angles with a protractor and estimating angles without a tool to measure them. Most students will do very well with this unit. Measurement will be the next unit. This is a very hard unit as its converting units of measurement in metric & customary. The assessment will be in a week and a half (week of 3/23/15).



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RACE is a strategy, I learned from the Dacula Middle School. I've used this strategy in class for 3-4 years now. It works in math 4 in writing. We will work on writing in 3rd person instead of 1st person.

R-Restate the question

A - Answer the question

C- Cite with evidence using quotation marks or paraphrasing in their own words.

E- Explain with examples

GA Milestones begins on April 20th, 2015

Happy Birthday Nina, Kmail, & MiKayla!

Social Studies

The test will be next Friday the 3/19/15. We are learning about westward expansion. It's a huge unit. I would highly recommend the students studying nightly to be successful in this unit. A great book to read at home to help with westward expansion is Streams to the River, River to the Sea a Novel of Sacajawea by Scott O'Dell

Remember studying nightly for 10 to 15 minutes will help your child be successful on quizzes & assessments.

Science -

Ecosystem TEST is on Tuesday 3/17/15.

We are learning about ecosystems which include food chains & food webs. Study the voc. words nightly. Our last science unit for the year will be adaptations. We will begin a STEAM unit in March closer to the end of the month to conclude our simple machine unit. The students will have to work together and think critically to complete the task.

We will continue to use the RACE strategy in class, write paragraphs, & prepare for the GA Milestones that will be here before we know it.

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Daily Lunch: 11:45-12:15

Upcoming Events

Math tutoring Tuesday morning 7:15-7:45.

Return Friday folders on Monday. Please sign and return the passport (conduct/effort) report in the Friday folder. Report Cards go home on 3/23/15!

5/21 will be our snow make up day. It's a full day not half day. It will be the annual school picnic. Please mark your calendars.

Students check your grades weekly.

Please sign & return the 4th grade field trip permission slip ASAP.

Mrs. Abraham is looking for field day help on 5/1 & on 5/4. Please email her if you are available to help on one or both of these dates. Thank you!

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permanently on the gym wall until March 31st. You will have the choice of whether your brick will display your family name or your child's name and the year they will be in 5th grade. Bricks will cost \$25 each and may be purchased for current or previous students of Mulberry. All funds raised through this project will be donated to the "Race to the Floor" campaign

to install a new gym floor. Be

sure to "Leave your mark at

The Mulberry PTA will be

"Bricks" that will be placed

taking orders for vinvl

Assistant Principal - Jonathan Day

Mulberry" today!"