

For the week ending
September 19th, 2014

Highlights of Our Week

Ms. Lambes' News

Language Arts

We will finish *Sing Down the Moon* next Tuesday. The assessment over chapters 14-23 will be on Friday, 9/26. Use my website to understand The Long Walk. Please make sure your child has completed all 20 vocabulary words in their LA journal. It's a spelling grade. We have learned new vocabulary words, context clues, theme or author's message, main idea, author's purpose, setting, predicting, steps in a process, comparing & contrasting, visualization, inference, and sequence of events. Please make sure your child has their book or device at school every day.

In Writer's Workshop, the students have worked on writing their report in the computer lab this week. I can't wait for you to see them. I couldn't have completed this assignment with all the parent support. We have learned about capitalization skills, subject & predicate, dialogue, and different kinds of sentences to use in our writing. We are working on similes, metaphors, and suffixes. TEST 9/29/14

Math

The addition & subtraction TEST will be coming 9/29/14. This will be a quick unit. Then, it's off to multiplication. Please practice basic facts at home. Your child will be successful if they know their multiplication facts. They will not learn traditional multiplication until 5th grade. We will teach partial product and block area. I have videos on my website that we will use in class from mathzillion.com. I know how we teach math today is so different then how you learned in school.



Box Tops for Education!

Save your box tops for the contest! We are participating in a contest with other fourth grade classes!

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.

Please check and sign your child's agenda daily.

Social Studies

We have finished the unit on Native Americans. The students will do a few review activities before their assessment on 9/25/14. We will complete a reader's theater in class, 3 DBQs, and a reading comprehension assignment. We learned about the Inuit, Kwakiutl, Nez Perce, Hopi, Pawnee, & Seminole. The concepts that I will be teaching are the region/geography that they lived in, what the climate was in their region, what natural resources they used for shelter, food, clothing, & did the tribe migrate or were they a permanent settlement. Remember studying nightly for 10 minutes will help your child be successful for quizzes & assessments.

Science

We will begin a new unit on solar system after we complete a couple more extension lessons on weather.

Great Days of Service will be collecting toiletry items.

We will begin guidance on 9/29/14 with Mrs. Long.

Thank you for coming to movie night!

Thank you Mrs. Robling, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Mathieu, & Mrs. Blackard for helping our class out this week in the media center & computer lab.

Upcoming Events

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

Parent-teacher conferences are 9/24 & 9/25! Early Release days! The students will be dismissed at 12:15 PM. Thank you for signing up! I will have your child write down their conference time. The student will lead their conference with you.

Sing Down the Moon Ch. 14-23 Part II TEST is on 9/26

Grammar TEST: Sing Down the Moon is 9/29/14

The students will be receiving their prizes for the Boosterthon Fun Run the week of conferences.

*PJ Day 9/26/14 & Extra Recess Day

Happy Birthday Lily F.!

9/25/14 PTA Ice cream night

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Daily Lunch:

11:45-12:15