

For the week ending
September 26th, 2014

Highlights of Our Week

Ms. Lambes' News

Language Arts

We will begin a new common core unit on Tuesday. We will be using the book *Encounter* by Jane Yolen. It's a picture book that I will read aloud to the class. The unit is about 15 days long. It will integrate our new SS unit on Exploration.

In Writer's Workshop, the students have worked on writing a developed paragraph with a main idea/topic sentence, details (elaborate, explaining), including examples, and a conclusion sentence using transitional words. We will be back in the computer lab two days next week to complete the informational piece on their tribe.

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, idioms, homophones, personification, verb tenses, and suffixes. We will learn about compound & complex sentences next. **TEST 9/29/14**

Math

The addition & subtraction TEST will be on 9/30/14. I've introduced multiplication to the students. **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 learnzillion.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 will learn about 6 explorers the next two weeks. These are the 6 explorers the students need to know: Christopher Columbus pgs. 103-107, 114-119 & 126; John Cabot pgs. 121- 122; Vasco Nunez de Balboa pg. 123; Juan Ponce de Leon pg. 129; Northwest passage p 139; Jacques Cartier pgs. 140-141; Henry Hudson pgs. 142-143

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

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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.

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

***Please register for a field day/activity shirt by 9/30/14. Our color is jade.**

***Return a sheet of notebook paper by 9/29/14 stating you read 60 minutes for the Gladiator reading program to earn a free ticket with a parent's signature on it.**

***Read Mulberry Messenger for a free GA Tech ticket!**

Mulberry Reads at Barnes & Noble (Mall of GA) on Thursdav. 10/9 at 6:30-7:30 PM.

Thank you for coming to parent teacher conferences. It was great seeing all of you again. The students did a great job leading their conference. I'm so proud of them.