

Fourth Grade Newsletter

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Upcoming Events:

Homecoming Spirit Week this Week

- Oct. 7: Homecoming Parade/Skating Party
- Oct. 9: No School: Teacher Inservice
- Oct. 13: Curriculum Night/CCHECO Mtg.
- Oct. 16: No School: Fall Break
- Oct. 19: Candy Gram Sale begins
- Oct. 21: Zoo Field Trip
- Oct. 30: Halloween Parade/Party in afternoon

Mrs. Marks: Math

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The Math bellwork quiz will be Thursday this week and next week due to having no school both days. We have been working on addition and subtraction algorithms with multi-digit numbers. The students have been using tape diagrams to model word problems. They have been shown how to use a place-value chart, if needed, to solve their addition and subtraction problems. Students need to be careful when REGROUPING on their subtraction problems. The place value chart will help.

There will be an "end of Module 1" test next Thursday, Oct. 15th. Last week's mid-assessment was passed back today for students to review and correct where needed in class. I spent a lot of time in class going over it to make sure they understood it. It is the first assessment students have taken with the new program, so everyone in all grades is adjusting.



Science/Social Studies

Science

*There will be a test next Weds. Oct. 14 on Weathering, Erosion, and Deposition. They will get a study guide next Monday for homework to complete, and we will go over it Tuesday in class.

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Reading/L.Arts Mrs. Malchesky

Reading: We are continuing to hold book club meetings to discuss the previous night's chapters for The One and Only Ivan. This is REQUIRED reading, and is homework. The chapters are available on the website to listen to as well. Students have been given sticky notes and a chart of ideas for marking their thinking. They should be ready to share 2-3 "thinking spots" in their book club groups. Students are being assessed occasionally on their participation in the discussions. We have also been discussing the elements of plot. Students have notes in their interactive reading notebook about the different parts, and should be able to describe the plot of various fiction stories or books that they read. There will be a quiz next Monday on the Ivan reading thus far.

Language: Quiz Thurs. on Week 6. Students worked on a narrative writing sample this week, which I will bring to our inservice Friday (required). This will help drive my narrative writing instruction.

Happy Halloween

October Birthdays

Milana M. (11th)
Michael A. (30th)

Social Studies

*There will be a quiz this THURSDAY, Oct. 8th on Prehistoric Indians. Students should study the notes in their folders: the chart which compares the 4 groups, as well as all the anticipation guides. Students need to know how the prehistoric Indian groups are alike and different, and characteristics of each group.

