



Mrs. Roesener's Class Newsletter

October

Academic Update

Reading

In October students in my reading class will continue applying paraphrasing skills to assist them with their reading comprehension. We will move into Harcourt's Unit 2 "Better Together" students will apply story structure to writing summaries. Also, students will start *Junior Great Books* which is a superb framework for teaching reading comprehension, critical thinking, and writing, all in the context of students sharing their ideas about great literature.

Word Work

Spelling homework packets have been given. Students should choose 1 activity from each of the 3 seasonal displays. Each Thursday night, please give your child a pretest for the next day's assessment. Weekly Spelling Homework Records are collected on Fridays.

Math

We will be finishing up what is usually the parents' favorite math unit: Computation and Estimation. Take a minute and ask your child how to solve an addition problem using Partial Sums, or a multiplication problem using Lattice. Assessment will be Wednesday, October 7th. Please work with your child to build great study habits. Next, we will begin Unit 4: Geometry.

Writing

Students are still diligently working on their Narrative Writing Pieces. We hope to see you **Friday, October 9th at our Writing Celebration!** Next students will have free choice in choosing their writing topic during Writer's Workshop.

Science

Students will demonstrate their Environmental Science knowledge next Tuesday via Final Assessment. Please be sure to review using the study-guide provided. You will find it in their Science folder.

Social Studies

Upon return from Harford Glen we will begin our unit: Investigation. We will identify that the study of the past helps us take action in the present and influences the future. We will understand that geography helps us connect to other people and places.

Tid-bits

Harford Glen

Reminder: Harford Glen trip is Monday, October 12th – Thursday, October 15th. Please be sure all paper work is turned in by Friday, October 2nd. Be sure to use the recommended packing list.

Students need to be picked up on Thursday, October 15th at 11:45 am.

Wanted: Scholastic Book Parent

I am looking for a parent to prepare the scholastic book order forms, collect orders, and place the order with Scholastic's. I can then hand out the books when they arrive at school. Please let me know if you are interested. Thanks so much!

Thank you to the fabulous Parent Volunteers! You Rock!

monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday
			1 Volunteer: Mrs. Leight	2 A Day Spelling Test
5 No Spelling this week	6 Environ- mental Final Test	7 Math Unit 2 Test	8 Volunteer: Mrs. Bell Purchase Day at Book Fair	9 B Day 2:05 – 2:55 Writing Celebration Bingo Night
12 Harford Glen Trip	13 Outdoor Classroo m Harford Glen	14 Outdoor Classroo m Harford Glen	15 Return Dismiss at 11:45am	16 NO SCHOOL
19	20	21	22 Volunteer: Mrs. Leight	23 C day Spelling Test
26	27	28	29 Volunteer: Mrs. Logan Picture Day	30 D Day Spelling Test 1 st Quarter Ends