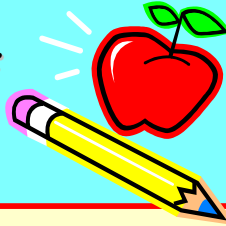




FOURTH GRADE NEWS



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Here is what we're learning . . .

Reading: Next week, we will begin our integrated unit where the students will rotate through stations and learn about various European Explorers. Students will be learning how to pull key details from nonfiction texts to aid in their descriptions, character detail, setting, and plot. **At home, you can support your child by asking them about the characters, setting, and plot in their independent reading books.**

Writing: Next week, students will be learning how to construct informational writing pieces. **To help your child at home with this skill, talk about the differences between a narrative and informational writing piece.**

Math: Next week, we will solve multi-step word problems with whole numbers and having whole number answers using the four operations, including problems in which remainders must be interpreted. It would be beneficial for your student to practice any homework given. **Practice basic math facts as needed to give your child support at home.**

Social Studies: Students will be learning about the European Explorers. They will rotate through stations of various exploration and explorers. We will be integrating reading and writing into this unit to create an informational piece on the European Explorers. **At home, encourage your child to research any explorers they found particularly interesting.**

Science: Next week, we will begin our Weather Unit. Students will be learning about pressure systems, weather fronts, as well as various weather instruments. **At home, discuss the weather and different causes that create the fronts or pressure systems.**

Curriculum Assessments

In order to prepare for upcoming assessments, students need to complete all class assignments and homework. They will also need to focus on vocabulary words. A weekly list is provided in the newsletter. We also encourage your child to read for 20 minutes or longer in order to practice their fluency and work on comprehension skills. It is very important that your child continues to review and practice multiplication facts to retain these skills. In the next few weeks, your child will be receiving information that will allow them to log onto the Internet from home or the library and practice these skills.

Homework

You should expect your child to have homework Monday-Thursday each week. Homework may consist of review of skills taught, Spelling, Reading, and Math Practice. In addition, students are expected to read 20 minutes each night and complete the reading log. Students should also practice multiplication and division facts each night.

Behavior

The fourth grade classes are using Class Dojo as a positive behavior management system. Teachers are recognizing students for good behavior choices. Students are able to spend their points for class incentives. Please talk with your child about showing good behavior choices and demonstrating good citizenship and character traits.

Reminders

**Please sign and return all of the following documents to your child's teacher:

- Receipt of Parent Guide
- Inclement Weather form
- Clinic Card

Calendar of Events

September 14th- Chick-fil-A Night
September 21st- PTA- Guest Speaker Matt Bennett
4th & 5th Grade Performance
September 25th-28th- Fall Break- No School

Communication Links

Parent Facilitator Updates:

www.mabletonelem.wix.com/familyblog

PTA: www.mabletonpta.com

Next Week's Vocabulary Words

explorer, spices, beaver fur, Europe, exploration.

Mableton Mission:

Engage! Empower! Excel!

Mableton Vision:

Making the Dream a Reality

Mableton School Improvement Goals:

1. Students will demonstrate proficiency in reading and writing.
2. Students will demonstrate proficiency in math.
3. The staff will increase opportunities for parents to be active participants in their student's education.