



What's Up?

Thanks to all the parents who attended the "Open House" on Tuesday. It was great to see you all again. The information you missed can be sent home to you as a PowerPoint. (Or can be found on your teacher's website). Just let your teacher know. This year in fourth grade is going to be an incredible journey. Here are some announcements:

- Please send in T-shirt money by WED, Sept 28th. We will be sending the order in on Friday.
- September 30th is coming up fast! Informational Text Book Report is due. Please make sure your child is perfecting this! ☺
- Please return your child's permission slip for the Young Peoples Concert.
- If you are interested in being a member of the SAC committee please contact Libby Genton.
- Once a month, we will have running club after school for the students. The students will have an opportunity to run next Wed. Sept. 27 from 2 - 3. The laps they run will be added to their totals from Running Club on Wednesdays during PE.
- Sunshine State Book Club-4th grade can participate in a book club. Please contact your teacher for details. The first meeting will be on Monday the 26th. The book will be "Where the Mountain Meets the Moon."
- **PROGRESS REPORTS WENT HOME Yesterday!**

Spotlight on Students:

Superstars of the week

Heistand's class: Alexis Urban

Twedt's class: Anya Sawhney

Both these students are strong leaders in our Class. They are always on task and show great "Responsibility".

We are very proud of them☺

Next Week in Fourth Grade

Reading: Grandfathers Journey
Strategies and Skills – Main Idea –Outlining
Details/supporting details

Writing- Continue working on perfect paragraphs and summary using SIDFOR, topic sentence, supporting details using show not tell. Also, working on parts of speech and types of sentences.

Vocabulary: Please see "Fun with New Words" (Study☺) (try to use word(s) in a sentence during a conversation)

Math: Properties of Multiplication, basic multiplication facts (0-12)

Science: Physical Science – Physical and Chemical changes

Social Studies: Florida, Florida, Florida

"A Look Ahead"

September 26th- Sunshine State Book Club

September 27th-Science Quiz

September 28th-Tee Shirt Money Due

September 30th- Informational Text book report due.

September 30th- Donuts for dad 7:30-8:15

October 10th- St. Augustine Permission slips and Money Due

October 14th- Student holiday

October 24th - Young Peoples Concert *Turn in Permission Slip ASAP!

October. 28th- Student Holiday

November 2st. Augustine Field Trip

All St. Augustine chaperones must be registered with OCPS. This is done on line at <http://volunteer.ocps.net>. (I need to get web address.) And must complete a specific OCPS chaperone form to attend this trip.

Heistand

Reading:

Essential Question: How to use text features and PERFECT strategies to comprehend selection?

Students learned about text features and using PERFECT strategies while reading current news from Time for Kids magazine. They also became reporters and summarized the article. In addition, they began working on reading plus to work on fluency.

Spelling/Vocabulary:

Essential Question: How can we become rich with words?

Students wrote variety of sentences (declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory) using vocabulary and spelling words.



Writing:

Essential Question How can I show and not tell when I write?

Students viewed a brainpop video on show not tell. Then, I read aloud Miss Nelson is Missing to show how showing and not telling is more effective as the story described the kids were misbehaving and the teacher was mean. They also learned a formula for great writing:

Anadiplosis – mean, mean, mean

Simile- like a raging bull ready to attack

Show not tell- Her eyebrows were stitched, while her fisted hands were on her hips. Her eyes were like flaming red and she had fumes coming out of her ears. Can you believe she even scoffed at the kids when they didn't get the right answer?



Twedt

Math:

Essential Question:

What strategies can help me visualize the multiplication facts?

And

Why is it important for me to know how to use the number properties when solving multiplication problems?

Math tests were sent home in their test folders. Please sign. Scores including extra credit are posted on progressbook.

We started multiplication this week. Ask your kids to explain the Zero Property of Multiplication, the Identity Property of Multiplication, the Commutative Property and Distributive Property (DIFFICULT!)—They used their knowledge of Arrays (from the Social Studies Symbols/Math Stamp Project to help them here.

If your children ever tell you they are done with their homework and they don't have anything to do, quiz them on their quick multiplication facts! I put a couple "mad minutes" on my website (Resources and Enrichment tab). Feel free to print and use with them. Give them 60 seconds to see how many they can do!



Science:

Essential Question:

How does matter move and change in the environment?

AND

What Causes change in our physical world?

Quiz Tuesday! Study Guides were put in their binders on Monday. They should use this to go through each page in their Science Journal to know what is required that they know!



Our focus this week is physical and chemical changes. I have a great Can Crushing demonstration to show them Monday! Ask them when you get home Monday night!

* Please check your child's Destination College Binder for Science and Math work. EVERYthing we do in class is kept here. There is a table of contents in this binder to help the students stay organized.

*Please keep in mind that anything I type is downloadable on

www.mrs-twedt.com