

NOTE to Parents...

Friday, Sept. 9, 2016

Dear Families,

We had another great week! We have nearly finished our second unit in math. We have been working so hard, and I am very proud to see the growth that is already so evident! Keep it up!

At Parent Night, I failed to remind you of volunteer opportunities in the classroom. Brook Hedgecock is our room parent, so she may be hitting you up for donations of party supplies and/or time. I am not sure if we have a class photographer or not, so let her know if you would be interested. I don't know when and for what I will need help, but if you are able to do so, please let me know! Thanks so much for your support!

****We have also changed our library checkout day and time to Wednesdays at 12:00. It was too confusing with Early Release.**

Announcements:

- Monday, Sept. 12: **Green Day:** Computer/REAL
- Tuesday, Sept. 13: **Purple Day:** Art
Early Release
- Wednesday, Sept. 14: **Red Day:** PE/Music
Library Checkout
- Thursday, Sept. 15: **Yellow Day:** Music/Spanish
Spelling Test
- Friday, Sept. 16: **Blue Day:** PE/Spanish
Weekly Computation #4 is due!

Reading:

This week we will work on making inferences and recall and retell for comprehension work. We continue to work on the use of context clues in developing vocabulary. The phonics skills are long e phonics patterns and the syllable patterns of V/CV and VC/V. The spelling skill is long -a words.

We will begin Guided Reading and Daily 3 Rotations.

We continue to learn about writing through personal narratives.

Math:

Topic 3 focuses on subtraction fact strategies (subtracting 0, 1, 2; thinking addition to subtract doubles, thinking addition to 10 and 18 to subtract, and make ten to subtract. Encourage your child to talk about what strategies they are using when they are adding and subtracting numbers. Block Ten Fact Fluency is focusing on adding and subtracting one.

Science:

We are focusing on plant needs.

Please continue to encourage nightly reading with your child. Be sure to write down the books they read on their monthly reading logs to track them for the yearly Mustang Reading Award. Practicing math facts is also encouraged. There are several good Apps available out there. Let me know if you would like some suggestions.

Have a great week!

