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What Are We Learning?

Reading

Good Reading requires the use of all the strategies we have talked about in class this year. Most of these strategies are skills that are ongoing throughout the course of academic life. Currently, our focus is on Plot, Theme, Visualization, and text structure. These four concepts, combined with the use of context clues to build vocabulary, can be used with any genre of book and any subject matter. Try having your student draw a picture to illustrate the plot or theme in a story. Have your student illustrate the Native American/Colonial friendships and/or conflicts. Compare and contrast the issues.



Every day come prepared to be the apple of your teacher's eye!

Writing

Our unit on informational writing continues. Students will complete an assignment that includes research as an integral part of the project and/or a "How To" assignment. Students will present either one of these assignments to the class. For example, how is Venus similar or different than Earth? Explain how to tie your shoes, make a cake or cookies. Ask your student questions that require information that may have to be researched. Have your student show you how to create something you don't know how to make.

Language Arts

An informational essay must focus on maintaining consistent gender, point of view and verb tense. Use WOW words and humor to keep the reader engaged.

Math Please continuously work on multiplication facts with your student.

Knowing the basic multiplication facts helps your student with every day math and with ongoing AKS. Our current unit on fractions focuses on comparing fractions, equivalent fractions, and adding/subtracting fractions and mixed numbers with like denominators. Ask your student about vocabulary words such as denominator, numerator, equivalent, prime, composite, multiple, and factor.

With the holiday season upon us, perhaps your student can use their fraction sense to help out with baking in the kitchen. Fractions of a cup can make some tasty cookies. ©

Social Studies

The Native Americans shared the land with the new settlers until the English populations increased and their need for more land grew. How do the Colonists solve their problem? How are the thirteen colonies formed? Why? How are the three regions similar/different? How do the Colonists survive so far away from "home" -- England? How do the Colonists respond to being governed by a faraway King? We continue to study the constant changes going on in this new land.

Science

The sun is the greatest light source in our world. We learned that in the study of our Solar System. How do we **see** that light energy? What is light energy? What is ROYGBIV? How are light and color related? What makes Superman have x-ray vision or a microwave oven cook our food? Light energy is all around us from morning to night in every area of life.

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Shout Outs!

SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS

MS. BRYANT	Jalen Davis
MRS. DAVIS	Amber Freeman
MRS. TONEY	Joanne Alonge
	Takoi Van Holten

NOVEMBER FIVE STAR GENERALS

MS. BRYANT	Kevin Beltran-Guzman
MS. DALIN	Elijah Curry
MRS. DAVIS	Jordan Gober
MR. SENA	David Howell
MRS. TONEY	Lillian Lopez

CONTINENTAL MATH LEAGUE

MS. BRYANT Amariah Pridgen (Top Scorer) Morgan McKinsey Anaand DeVelle Dylan King Amaya Crearer

Reminders to Students



Bring money for lunch
Bring sharpened pencils daily
Complete Homework

Reminders to Parents

Students **will** need to replenish the following supplies in the New Year:

- Pencils
- Dry Erase Markers

Please check and sign your child's agenda book each night.

Lost and/or damaged school-issued books must be replaced or reimbursed

Winter Break Begins

Thursday, December 20, 2012

Return to school Wednesday, January 3, 2013



Parents' Corner

HOW CAN YOU HELP YOUR STUDENT THIS YEAR?



Be Involved!

Set aside time for your child to read daily.

Use the time to encourage thinking while reading.

Check Friday Folders -- Sign/Return Star Cards.

Check, Sign, and Return Progress Reports.

Enclose all returned forms as requested.

Set and Discuss Goals with your student.

Set the example you wish to see in your student.

Notable Events

Interim II Assessments

December 10 -17, 2013

Spelling Bee

In Class – Week of December 10th Grade Level -January 11th *Winner will progress to the County Bee.

Title I Meeting

December 7, 2013 8:00 a.m.

Yearbook Orders

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