

September

Mrs. Cocking's Newsletter

"Education is learning what you didn't even know you didn't know."

--Daniel J. Boorstin

Math Minute

This month in Math we work on Understanding Subtraction. These lessons will be similar to the addition lessons from Topic 1. We will find missing parts of 6, 7, 8, and 9, introduce number sentences, stories about taking away, stories about comparing, stories about missing parts, all kinds of subtraction stories, connecting addition and subtraction and also connecting models and symbols. At the end of the month, we will begin our focus on Five and Ten Relationships. This focuses on using a ten-frame, recognizing numbers on a ten-frame, parts of 10, and finding missing parts of 10.

A good way to help your child with addition and subtraction is through flash cards. These are very inexpensive or you can make your own! Just five to ten minutes a day practicing flash cards will help your child tremendously!!



Reading Rally



In Reading this month, we will be focusing on the short /o/ sound, s plurals, the ending -s, the ending -ing, short /e/ sound, initial blends, short /u/ sound, and final blends. We will also work on character and setting, main idea, realism and fantasy, and cause and effect. If your child does not know all of the common sight words, it would be a good idea to make flashcards and practice them daily. On nights where I do not assign homework, I still suggest having your child read in some way. They can read independently, read to you, or you can read to them. The more practice they get the better they will become.

Only read for about 10 minutes every night. They worked hard all day and need some time to rest. 😊

Test Information

Reading and Spelling Tests will be on Fridays and I will give a spelling pre-test on Thursdays. We will take a few more practice tests before they start for a grade so the students will feel more comfortable and you will see these come home. Please practice the words at home even though they are not for a grade.

Math tests are not on a scheduled day. We will complete a "Reteaching" worksheet together in class the day before the test. (This review has a red circle with a number in it and red boxes surrounding problems at the top of each page.)

September Calendar

- 5 Labor Day- No Classes
- 13 Fundraisers DUE
- 16 CDS Night @ GHS Football Game
- 26 Professional Development- No Classes
- 29 Chick-Fil-A Fundraiser

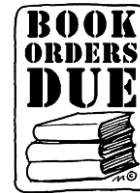


Happy Birthday!!

Nika	22 nd
Alena	24 th
Saul	29 th

Book Order News

I will try and send a book order home every other month. This is a good and cheap way to add to your child's library and to add to our classroom library. When you purchase books for your child, Scholastic gives me points so that I can buy books for our classroom and it also gives me a free book for every online order. You will see a note with information about how to order online with our class code stapled to the book order along with when it is due. I will NOT accept cash if you send the order back to school, it has to be a check.



Celebrating Birthdays

If you would like to send or bring in treats for your child's birthday please just call, email, or send in a note so we can schedule a time that works for you and our classroom schedule. ☺

A Quick Note...

Thank you so much for your help and support in helping the students make a smooth transition to 1st Grade. The students are doing a wonderful job. As always, please feel free to e-mail or call me with any questions you might have.

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