

Our Classroom News

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What's Happening This Month

Events:

- March 2 – 6 Read Across America
- March 3 Picture Day
- March 6 – Junior Achievement in our classrooms
- March 9 – 12 Book Fair
- March 16 Jersey and Juice Boys Event
- March 20 NO SCHOOL
- March 25 – End of 3rd quarter – report cards issued April 1 (NO JOKE)

Important Information

- As the 3rd grading quarter is winding down, parents may see a shift in grading for our soon to be 5th graders. Students who do not turn work will see a 0 on Power School. Late work is accepted, although a loss of points is possible. We are working on instilling some ownership in our very capable students.
- Pencils, pencils, pencils, paper, paper, paper. Please consider donating to our classrooms. Clorox wipes are also handy in this cold and flu season.
- As a reminder, students who have a fever are required to be fever free for 24 hours before returning to the classroom.
- PLEASE let us know if contact numbers are changed. In the case of an emergency, it is so very important that we have working phone numbers for all our students.
- DOJO continues to be our favored method of communication. If you're not on it, you're missing out 😊

A Peek At What We Are Learning This Month

ELA/ Writing

Argumentative/ opinion essays continue. Students have taken a real interest in sharing their point of view. There was a major opinion essay that was recorded in the gradebook last month and we will also be writing an opinion essay on what we believe was the cause of the American Revolution. We continue to practice strategies that make our students better readers. Students that are reading at home and writing about their reading are far more likely to make those personal connections with their text that encourages strong reading habits. This is a reminder that reading journals are collected every Friday and recorded in our gradebook as a homework grade for each quarter.

Math

In Math, we have started division! Superheroes did pretty well with multiplication and were shown a number of strategies to use when multiplying. The same will be true for division. Please continue to practice those math facts! Dreambox lessons are getting finished in record numbers so thank you for your support at home! Reminder as always that students have a math sheet to complete for homework every week.

Science

Students will now be learning about sound. Students will experience hands on experiments where they will test how sound is creating by varying pitches and volumes. This unit will be fun and exciting because many students will be able to relate to music that they enjoy but don't understand often how music is created. Just a reminder that homework continues to be given out Monday in class with the expectation that is returned by Friday. This homework grade will become a part of their 3rd quarter final grade.

Social Studies

This month will see our students being able to explain the historical significant of our nation's desire for independence. Important documents include the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation, the U.S. Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. The Revolutionary War, though exciting to study, had a powerful impact on the creation of our nation. Students will be able to discuss the contribution of historic political figures.

Character Trait of the Month: Caring

Caring was our Gaughman Road's trait for Character of the Month. Caring means the act of displaying kindness and concern for others. Our Comets of the Month are: Isabella Gamble, Khalil Snell, Javianna Johnson, Lamar Peoples, Drew Marriott, Amya Prioleau-Gadson, Ayriana Ferguson, and Matthew Gaffney.