

Our Classroom News

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What's Happening This Month

Events:

- Have you turned in your Federal Impact Form?
- Report card envelopes should be signed and returned.
- Nov. 8 Veteran's Day program 1 -2
- Nov. 11-15 American Education Week
- Nov. 26-29 Thanksgiving break (TUESDAY – Friday)

Important Information

- 4th grade has an awesome reward program for positive behavior. Every Friday our SOARING comets receive a privilege pull. This past week, our administration got on board and over 30 students received a free Chick fil A lunch on Tuesday in the cafeteria. Details were sent home last week in the communication folders.
- Please help us restock our pencil supply. Students seldom have pencils to use in class. Any surplus we had in our classrooms is now gone. We would also appreciate some more Clorox wipes to keep our desks clean this approaching cold and flu season.
- If you have not done so, please make sure your child has a set of ear buds to use in the classroom. We will keep them as a class set.
- Stay connected! DOJO and POWER SCHOOL are both great ways to keep track of what's going on – both in the classroom and with your student's academic progress. Let us know if you need more information!

A Peek At What We Are Learning This Month

ELA/ Writing

The focus of our writing curriculum the first 9 weeks has been writing personal stories using different crafts to grow in our writing. Our new unit for the 2nd quarter is to dive deep into informational reading and writing. We are identifying nonfiction text by the features, analyzing text structure and will be writing our first research paper on European explorers. Please remind your students of the importance of not only reading 20 minutes a day, but to WRITE about their reading. Homework journals are due every Friday.

Math

In math, we have been practicing rounding, addition, and subtraction. While addition seems to be far easier for students than subtraction, please make sure students are lining up their numbers properly to add. We will be moving into multiplication, prime and composite numbers, and patterns. Please ensure students are completing their nightly homework!

Science

Our 4th grade scientists are beginning our unit on Astronomy! We will be learning about shadows, what causes day and night, what causes the seasons and all about the solar system and constellations! We are excited to be Astronomers!

Social Studies

We will finish our exploration unit this month and begin discussing how different countries colonized in different areas of the East Coast. Just in time for Thanksgiving, we will examine what happened when the cultures of the Europeans looking for a new world collided with Native Americans who had been settled here for hundreds of years. We will use time in ELA to work on researching explorers and reading informational articles that are in sync with our Social Studies unit.

Character Trait of the Month: Cooperation

Cooperation was our Caughman Road's trait for Character of the Month. By definition, cooperation is working together to the same end. Cooperation and teamwork are important in our school culture. We are so very proud of our Comets for showing cooperation: Jordan Mosby, Myla Waller, Javianna Johnson, Malarie Butler, Matthew Gaffney, Amari Dugger, Sulma Perez Domingo, and Drew Marriott.