

Our Classroom News

Ms. Austin – Mrs. Berry – Mrs. Bygrave – Ms. Jackson

What's Happening This Month

- November 7: Half Day for Students (11:00 dismissal)
- November 7: Question for Science Fair due
- November 23 – 25 Thanksgiving Break
- December 1: Science Fair Boards due
- **** All science fair experiments should be done and documented during the month of November.**

Important Information

- PLEASE make sure your child has a set of earbuds to leave at school as some of our assignments are digital and students can enjoy having text read aloud.
- We have an early occurrence of flu in our school. Please be diligent about monitoring your child's health before sending them into the classroom.
- I know it sounds simple, but a student must have a pencil to be able to communicate in the classroom. As teachers, we will always ensure that your child has a pencil. HOWEVER, if you are inclined to purchase pencils for the good of the classroom, it is VERY APPRECIATED. It is frustrating for us to see our money spent on school supplies that are not taken care of – this is evident in the broken pencils and torn off erasers that clutter our floor daily.
- It is also not too late to make sure your child has the necessary supplies to be successful (scissors, colored pencils, glue, notebook paper).

A Peek At What We Are Learning This Month

ELA/ Writing

We have concluded unit 1 study of fiction literature and writing personal narratives. We are moving into nonfiction text which of course is written to inform/ or educate/ the reader. Text features help enhance the meaning of the text. Students are encouraged to choose a library book that is nonfiction so that reading response journals can reflect understanding that new knowledge is being processed. We have an exciting research project around the corner and students will write about an animal of their choice.

Math

Students worked through addition and subtraction strategies. There are many different ways for students to process multi-digit addition and subtraction. The concept is "borrowing" although popular at home is not maybe the easiest for our students to process. In the upcoming month, we will be working on multiplication and division. Learning these facts with quick accuracy is so very important. Turn off the car radio and make it a challenge to work through the multiplication table.

Science

Science Fair Projects are due December 1. There will be no more class time devoted to assisting students on the scientific process. We concluded our weather unit and are starting a unit on the solar system. This unit will take some time and will include not just our planets, but stars, constellations, revolution and rotation of our Earth and well as a study of the moon and its many phases.

Social Studies

The Age of Exploration demonstrates how appealing the New World (OUR world) was to the Europeans. God, gold, and glory motivated explorers like Henry Hudson, Ferdinand Magellan and Robert La Salle to explore and settle. We will be focusing on what life was like in these early colonial settlements in the coming weeks.

Character Trait of the Month

Cooperation was the Caughman Road character trait for the month of October. Cooperation are the actions of someone who is being helpful by doing what is wanted or asked for: **Jeremy Brown, T'siyah Griffin, Mujeeb Ali, Andre Anderson, Alisson Alvarenga-Aleman, Zaria Boney, Aden Russell, Londen Reed**