

Our Classroom News

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What's Happening This Month

- October 3: Book it Program begins
- October 10 – 14 Fire Prevention Week
- October 10: Final day for missing work for 1st Nine weeks to be turned in!
- October 12: First 9 weeks period ends
- October 14: Teacher workday/ No School for Students
- October 20: Report Cards issued
- October 21: Lower Richland Fall Festival (5:00 – 7:30)
- October 24: Early Release Conference day
- October 24 – 28: Red Ribbon Week/ Bully Prevention Week
- October 28: Fall Fun in the classroom 12-2

Important Information

- Parents- this month report cards will be sent home. Your student's grades are updated every 2 weeks on Power School. As a parent, this is your quick portal to check on grades and attendance. This is also how you see any missing assignments. If you need help setting this up, please contact the front office.
- Did you know that every month our students who have been safe, on task, accountable and respectful have an extended recess to celebrate their success? We would like to see the number of students enjoying extra recess to increase and the number of students who are inside working on skill sheets to decrease. Behavior in 4th grade is expected to not interfere with the instruction of the class. We appreciate your support as we remind students of classroom expectations.
- During this season of temperature change, there is an increase of germs and stuffy noses. Your classroom teachers always appreciate gifts of school supplies. This month, we would love a donation of tissues, classroom wipes, and hand sanitizer.

A Peek At What We Are Learning This Month

ELA/ Writing

Students are continuing to write personal narratives while learning writing tools to showcase their writing (punctuation, sentence structure, spelling, word choice, and developing the craft of organizing their writing). We are also engaging in great literature with our read alouds and shared reading – focusing on theme, plot, making connections and bringing prior knowledge to their reading. Writing about their reading is a great way to demonstrate reading comprehension.

Math

Students have made progress with understanding place value and rounding numbers. This skill is one of the foundations of moving into adding and subtracting multi-digit numbers. There are several standards we are learning to help students master this concept. Learning place value method (expanded form), using a number line as well as the traditional standard algorithm will all be taught and practiced. Applying this skill to real world problems will be our next step in demonstrating mastery.

Science

With the recent impact of Hurricane Ian, it was an exciting time to begin our unit on weather. Students have begun exploring weather instruments and will begin documenting weather observations at school in a journal. This unit also focuses on severe weather phenomenon. Additionally, we will begin communicating with parents about science fair projects which will be mandatory for all 4th grade students!

Social Studies

After examining the common question of how does geography affect culture, we have explored different Native American regions in early civilizations. As European explorers began to travel to the New World, we will investigate how the interactions between the Native Americans and the new settlers shaped the world we live in.

Character Trait of the Month

Honesty was the Caughman Road character trait for the month of September. Honesty means we "are truthful in what we say and we do." This month we are so proud of the following students who have demonstrated honesty: **Samuel Jones, Deandra Middleton, Brooklyn Rogers, Jayden Moore, Cayden Robert, Gracie Gibson, Jamie Woodard, and Heiress White**