



FRIDGE FACTS

The Room 205 Newsletter Edition #10
Mrs. Wilhelmy's Class
Oct 29 – November 1, 2012

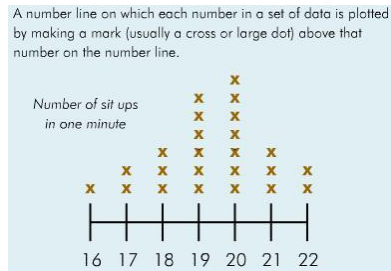
What is going on in:

Reading: We spending time in North America right now. We have started our novel, *The Secret School* and are getting to know our characters Ida, Felix, Tom, and Herbert. As we work through this story we will be listening to music of the 1920's, witnessing the perfection of *The Babe's* swing, and learning about how the Bidson family's Model T was made. We may take a look at the cool clothes too!

In language arts we are going to be doing a grammar study this week. Nouns, verbs, Adjectives, adverbs, conjunctions, articles... here we come!!

Math? We will be working in Unit Three this week. Our topics will include finding area Of a two dimensional figure (and telling the difference between area and perimeter.), Finding the diameter and circumference of a circle, and working with line plots.

Opportunity: Can you find a line plot in a newspaper, magazine, or online being used To communicate data to a reader?



MathATube.com

Line Plot

Science: Our next unit is about resources being used for energy. We will be looking at renewable energy this week.

Here is an interesting website to check out:

kidsahead.com/external/article/160



Social Studies? We will take our Geography test on Wednesday morning. The study sheet will go home on Monday, the 29th. If you'd like to start to prepare early, students may take their Social Studies notebooks home at any point. (The notes are also on our webpage) The format of the test this time will be a cloze reading passage with word bank, application of grid map, identification of the four hemispheres, and identifying landforms. We will be practicing in class and at home practice is suggested as well.

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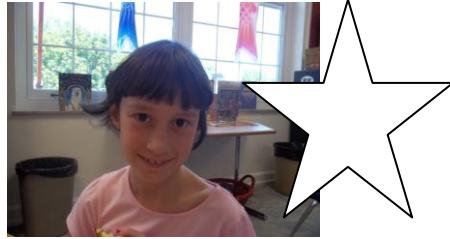
Unit: **Unit five, week One**

- ❖ *Concept: The Schwa! (Don't worry. Your kids will teach you!)*
- ❖ *Words of the week: pollen and travel*
- ❖ *Trick words: mother and brother*
- ❖ *Sound-Alikes weather/whether*
- ❖ *Cursive letters: lower case n and m*

Guest Reader: Our guest reader this week will be Mr. Cain. He will be with us from 9:10 – 9:30 November 1st.



Star of the Week: Each week one of our classmates is chosen to be our Star. Our Star will have a chance to share information and treasures with us to help us get to know him or her better. We will share kind words with our star so he or she knows how much we care. Congratulations to this week's star. SM!



Other important information?

❖ **Listen to what you r children are saying about their own writing:**

- "My writing has improved. I tried my best and listened closely." MS
- "I feel really good about dialogue." HB
- "Writing is fun!" RG
- "I am a good and talented writer." NS
- "My story is successful." MN
- "My vocabulary has improved and now my characters can talk!" NS
- "I think my stories are better now because I throw out ideas until I find the best one." HN
- "My dialogue has improved." SV
- "I pretty much feel more confident." TR
- "I use longer dialogue, better detail, and better vocabulary." VB
- "My writing has improved. I have better ideas and more detail. I feel like I am actually inside the story." AC



We've had some great guests visit lately!



❖ **Kensington's Halloween Guidelines**

- Guests are welcome without limit to number of adults in the room.
- The kids will start to change into Halloween costumes around 1:30 on Wednesday the 31st, Halloween day. Our school parade will begin at 1:45. The kids parade through the hallways, out onto the playground, along the sidewalk in the front of the building and then back into the school building to classrooms. We will have our classroom party as soon as we return to our room and it will go to the end of the school day, 2:45.
- Students may wear costumes starting at 1:30. Please make sure that your child can out the costume on without help, on top of the clothes they wear to school that day as there is one restroom on this floor for 8 third grade classrooms and 4 fifth grade classrooms.
- Please do not send make-up, weapons, or masks that would make three flights of stairs dangerous or be time consuming for the kids to apply.



❖ **SuccessMaker is here!** Each student of Room 205 is now required to **complete one Math and One Reading session per week**. Students will log in to SuccessMaker (use our link on our webpage or the one on the school site). Enter your username and password and begin. If your child does not have access to a computer at home, please let me know and he/she will be able to log in before school. To complete the assignments.

Notes

NOTE: In order to work on SuccessMaker outside of the district, home computers must have a Java plug-in installed and downloaded. Information about the free download can be found at <http://www.java.com/en> Please let me know if you are still having difficulty accessing SuccessMaker at home.

Important Dates?

- Oct 30 Pizza Day
- Oct 31 Halloween (more info to come)
- Nov 1 Our class's shopping day at the Scholastic Book Fair
- Nov 2 Report Cards distributed
- Nov 6 **Election Day**
- Nov 8 and 9 Parent-Teacher Conferences in the Kensington Gym

Our special class schedule:

- ✓ Monday = music with Mrs. Budd
- ✓ Tuesday = computers with Mr. Pfall
- ✓ Wednesday = art with Mrs. Braddock
- ✓ Thursday = book exchange with Mrs. Cipriani
- ✓ Friday = fitness with Mr. Shreve

Mrs. Wilhelmy's email = wilhelmy.amy@rcs.org

Rocky River's web site = www.rcs.org click on *Kensington, teacher web pages*, and then *Mrs. Wilhelmy* to view our class's page.



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