

Mrs. Wilhelmy's Class
Oct 8-12, 2012

What is going on in:
Reading: We have finished our first novel, The BFG, and are now working on the skills work to go along with the reading. Each night the children will be assigned a different section of the Language Activity Packet (LAP). They will have about 30 minutes of class time to get started and will be expected to finish the section at home that night. No grade will be assigned until the LAP is turned in for the final time on the $11^{\text {th }}$. Please encourage your child to take advantage of editing marks and suggestions along the way to insure that his/her best work is turned in.

We are looking for improvement in writing and boy, did we see it this week! What an excellent collection of narratives were turned in. I am very happy for your kids and the hard work they are putting into their writing. It is paying off as they start to feel more and more confident. Thank you for your help at home!

Math? We will be working on Unit 2 this week. Our topics will include The Trade-First Algorithm for subtraction and adding with 3 or more addends. Practice, practice, practice! Trade First is similar to traditional subtraction. The difference is that all the trades happen before the subtraction begins. It looks like this:

> trade-first subtraction A method, or algorithm, for subtracting in which all trades are done before any subtractions are carried out.

Example: 352-164

| 100 s | 10 s | 1 s | 100 s | 10 s | 1 s |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 4 | 12 |  | 14 |  |
| 3 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 12 |
| -1 | 6 | 4 | 3 | $\$$ | 2 |
|  |  |  | -1 | 6 | 4 |
|  |  |  | 1 | 8 | 8 |
|  | Trade 1 hundred for 10 tens |  |  |  |  |
| Trade 1 ten for | and subtract in each column. |  |  |  |  |

Everydaymathonline.com is a link to our math text. Each child has a password taped into the inside cover of the planbook. Games, explanations, and homework pages to print out are all available.
$\underline{\text { Science : In science this week we will be observing and investigation different kinds of rocks and learning about their properties and origins. }}$
Social Studies? We will work with identifying the hemispheres and continents with and without landforms being labeled.

## Fundations

Unit: Unit Three, week one

* Concept: Vowel-Consonant-E Syllable (hope, cake, rate, etc)
* Words of the week: confuse and cape
* Trick words: should and Mrs.
* Sound-Alikes plane/plain
* Cursive letters: lower case $\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{o}$


Guest Reader: Our guest reader this week will be. She will be with us from 9:10-9:30 October 11th.

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. ???! Since we do not have school on the $12^{\text {th }}$, we'll just have to wait until next week to find out about our next star!!


Other important information?

* Thank you, Mrs. Lazzaro and Vannucci for helping figure interest at Burney Bank!
* 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.

* Congratulations, DZ on being awarded Student of the Month for our classroom. Check out Kensington's website for the photo of the stars of each classroom at Kensington.


Important Dates?
Oct 8 Visit to $3^{\text {rd }}$ grade from Rotary Club!
Oct 9 Fun Lunch
Oct 11 Room 205 Continent Celebration 1:45-2:45
Oct 12 NEOEA Day, no school for kids

Oct 26 End of Quarter One
Oct 27 Spooky Saturday
Oct 22-26 Red Ribbon Week and Fall Food Drive
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
Our special class schedule:
$\checkmark \quad$ Monday $=$ music with Mrs.Budd
$\checkmark \quad$ Tuesday $=$ computers with Mr. Pfall
$\checkmark \quad$ Wednesday $=$ art with Mrs. Braddock
$\checkmark \quad$ Thursday $=$ book exchange with Mrs. Cipriani
$\checkmark \quad$ Friday $=$ fitness with Mr. Shreve


Listening to each other's writing!

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