



*Children, you have worked so very hard on your studies.
Now, have a delightful weekend, indeed.*



FRIDGE FACTS

The Room 205 Newsletter Edition #6
Mrs. Wilhelmy's Class
Oct 1 - 5, 2012

What is going on in:

Reading: We are working on our story, *The BFG*, by Roald Dahl. As we read we are working on our own skills of fluency, comprehension, building vocabulary, and being able to back up our opinions with evidence.

We will be writing our fourth narrative this week. Your children are getting better and better at putting their thoughts into an organized story! Thank you for your help with editing at home as they continue to develop this skill. The more they write, the better they will be able to communicate their thoughts and the less scary that white page will become.

Math? We will be working on Unit 2 this week. Our topics will include addition/subtraction number stories using addition and subtraction. Practicing facts in these operations will make number stories go more quickly and will be easier to solve. Think of facts like the ABCs of math. They are so important to commit to memory. Do you know of a great website, game, or app to share with us? Send it in and we can put links and suggestions on our web page.

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. Check it out!

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 grid maps and important lines of latitude this week. This would be a great week to play Old Fashioned Battleship... one of the best grid map games around.

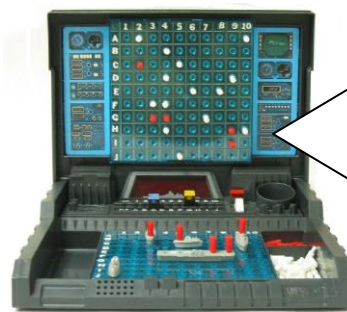
May we borrow your Battleship game? We are going to spend about an hour on Friday afternoon playing in order to have fun with number/letter grid maps. We have 3 games right now and are hoping for 12 or 13 so we may all play at the same time. We promise to be careful and return them at the end of the day on Friday. (Please no electronic games because we are practicing using grid maps) Be sure to put your name on the box.

Thank you!

Foundations

Unit: **Unit Two, week three**

- ❖ **Concept:** 1.1.1 words + suffixes
- ❖ **Words of the week:** shipment and mixed
- ❖ **Trick words:** what and could
- ❖ **Sound-Alikes:** guest/guessed and mist/missed
- ❖ **Cursive letters:** lower case **u** and **w**



NUMBER/LETTER GRID MAP!



Guest Reader: Our guest reader this week will be **Mrs. Helms**. She will be with us from 9:10 – 9:30 on September 27th.

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: **ML!**



Other important information?

- ❖ The kids now each have a password to access the Everyday Math Online site. Kids may find the student text, games, and all of the Homelinks are printable! Forget your math homework? Print a new copy out at home and save a 10BC reprinting fee! The link is under the math tab on our webpage and the passwords are taped inside the kids' planbook covers.
- ❖ 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, **NS on your Over and Above!** You have put forth many extra hours practicing, learning, and making yourself an even stronger student. Thanks for going the extra mile!



- ❖ Congratulations, **DJ on your second Over and Above!** You made a donation of brand new Battleship game to our classroom. Your class, and many classes to come will benefit and have fun with your gift. Thank you!



Important Dates?

Oct 2 **Third Grade Reading Ohio Achievement Assessment** (8:45 – 11:15am)

*Check our web page for a link to the Ohio Department of Education website for more information and practice test questions.

- Oct 2 Pizza Day
- Oct 12 NEOEA Day, no school for kids
- Oct 9 Fun Lunch
- 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:

- ✓ 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

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