



FRIDGE FACTS

The Room 205 Newsletter Edition #4
Mrs. Wilhelmy's Class
September 17 - 21, 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.

In writing this week, we will continue to work on writing narrative pieces. We will be telling stories. A good story has an established situation, a narrator or strong characters who tell the story through words or actions, an organized sequence, characters who respond to situations and each other, words that lead us through the story (first, next, finally, etc), and a clear closure to the problem.

We will be writing our third 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 are working on **Unit one** this week. Our topics will include identifying patterns, finding differences and preparing for our first test. **Unit One test is Thursday the 20th!** A review packet will come home on Tuesday. We will take two days to complete it; the first half will be assigned on Tuesday, the second on Wednesday night.

Science Now that we are feeling comfortable with our science tools and the process of inquiry, we are moving into our Earth science Unit. This week we will be learning about how air and water are in everything... even rocks! We will be observing and investigating several different types of rocks and finding out how they were formed.

Social Studies? We will be looking at parts of maps this week and finding out why they are important (map title, map key, compass rose, and symbols)

Foundations

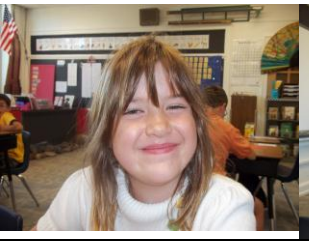
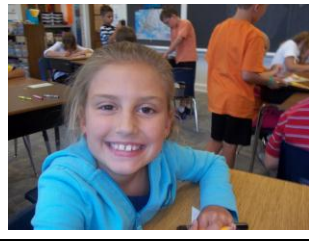
- Unit: **Unit Two, week one**
- ❖ **Concept:** plurals and suffixes
 - ❖ **Trick words:** what and could
 - ❖ **Sound-Alikes** son/sun, some/sum
 - ❖ **Cursive letters:** lower case **l, j, and p.**



Guest Reader: Our guest reader this week will be **Mrs. Foley**. She will be with us from 9:10 – 9:30 on September 20th.

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: LA!





Our Insurance Team: HN, RG, MS, EB, and HB

Insurance is now for sale. The weekly premium is 5BCs and the deductible is 6BCs per disaster. Thank you, HN and RG, for organizing the startup of this year's insurance company.



Other important information?

- ❖ We are in need of shoeboxes. If you have a few you could part with, we are looking to collect a total of 27.
- ❖ Congratulations, NU, for earning our class's first Over and Above! A teacher observed this young man picking up a dropped paper in the hallway. What makes this an Over and Above event is that several other people walked right past the litter! Thank you, NU for going over and above to care for your school and your classmates!
- ❖ Congratulations to DJ on his Over and Above! This young man does his best every single day to follow directions, pay attention to the feelings of his classmates, and do his best on every assignment. I am very proud to honor such a hard working gentleman!
- ❖ Our third Over and Above goes to MG. Every student in the class was given a gift of a rock by MG! Wait until the kids find out how old these scientific artifacts are! MG's generosity earned her our thanks, and a special honor. Congratulations!



Important Dates?

- Sept 17 Constitution Day
- Sept 18 Pizza Day for those who participate
- Sept 22 PTA Pumpkin sale
- Sept 25 Fun Lunch
- 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.

Our special class schedule:

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