



3RD GRADE PIXEL PRESS

MS. SHAW'S CLASS
NEWSLETTER # 4
WEEK OF: SEPTEMBER 19TH - SEPTEMBER 23RD

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SPECIALS SCHEDULE

Monday: P.E.

Tuesday: Art & P.E.

Thursday: P.E. & Library

Friday: Music & Computers

SCIENCE/SOCIAL STUDIES

This week we will finish Science Chapter 2: Types of Plants. Students will categorize leaves, cones and seeds collected last week.

Students will also read Lesson 3: How do Plants Make Food and create photosynthesis flip-page.

A Study Guide for Chapter 2 will be sent home Tuesday for our test Wednesday September 28th.

LITERACY THIS WEEK

READER'S WORKSHOP

This week we will explore the world of books and grow as readers using the mentor text *Swirl by Swirl: Spirals in Nature* by Joyce Sidman. Students will engage in a book talk with their reading buddy where they will discuss thoughts and ideas about the story. Students will also respond to reading using the mentor text read last week, *Balloons Over Broadway*, by expressing a subject they are passionate about.

Lastly, students will use their independent reading books to find pages that caused them to "Stop and Think".

WRITER'S WORKSHOP

This week in Writer's Workshop we will use the mentor texts we've read in previous lessons to assist students in generating writing ideas. Students will connect an emotion to a specific meaningful memory using the mentor text, *A Tree Named Steve*. Students will also review the power of persuasion using the mentor text, *I Wanna Iguana*.



MATH LESSONS THIS WEEK

EUREKA MODULE 1: LESSONS 12-16

This week we will interpret the quotient as the number of groups or the number of objects in each group using units of 2 and 3. Students will also skip-count objects in models to build fluency with multiplication facts using units of 4.

Lastly, we will relate arrays to tape diagrams to model the commutative property of multiplication as well as use the distributive property as a strategy to find related multiplication facts.

TEACHER NOTES...

Please make sure your child returns the homework folder and math journal daily. Empty Friday folders are due back on Monday with your signature on the designated date.

Thank you for your continued support!

TIP FOR SUCCESS...

Encourage creative problem-solving. Problem-solving is the basis of good mathematical thinking, and the problems don't have to involve numbers. "How many different ways are there to walk to school?", "What's another way to arrange the furniture in this room?" Try to come up with more than one solution for everyday problems.



DATES TO REMEMBER

September 19th -Prek-5 Parent volunteer meeting at IH @ 9:30am

September 21st -Spirit Day- wear red; PFA Board Meeting at District Office @ 9:30am, Dessert with the Principal at Chippewa @ 6:00pm

September 22nd -PFA Committee Head Meeting At IJHS @ 7:30pm

September 23rd - Picture Day

September 28th -Science Chapter 2 Test