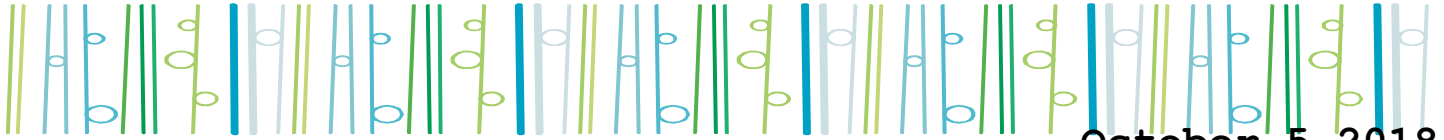


1st Grade Safari News



October 5, 2018

What's been happening in our classroom this week?

Week 10

In math, we continued learning about partitioning plane shapes, such as circles, rectangles, squares and other shapes into two and four equal shares. We know that we can describe the shares using the words "halves", "fourths" and "quarters." We know that as we divide or partition into more equal shares that the shares get smaller in size. We've also learned how to read/write basic fractions (Ex. $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$) and know the top number indicates how many shares are being taken and the bottom number indicates how many equal shares there are altogether.

In Reading, we've been answering questions with question words like: Who, What, Where, When, Why and How using literary texts. We are practicing formulating our answers into complete sentences (either verbally and/or written) and making sure to use the text to support our answers.

In Social Studies we learned about Christopher Columbus and how he was an explorer that set sail across the Atlantic Ocean in search of a faster route to India in 1492. We learned that he traveled by ship and it wasn't an easy journey.

In Writing, we are learning to start our writing with a topic sentence and use temporal words (First, Next, Then,) to add our supporting details. We are practicing how to proofread/edit our work by color coding. We circle capitals with green and end punctuation with red. Most students have a goal of writing 3 complete sentences on their own.



Character Counts Pillar: Respect

October 31st~Dress like your favorite book character! This optional activity is a fun way to celebrate reading! See the green paper for more info.

Please make sure your child is reading TO you every night for at least 15 minutes! Document it on the Reading Log.



Dates to Remember:

Oct. 8 & 10~1st Quarter
Culmination Activities

Oct. 8-Community Speakers
Oct. 10-White Tanks Library

Oct. 12~End of 1st Qtr./Beginning of Fall Break

Oct. 31~Harvest Rotations & Dress up like your favorite book character!



Homework is given out on Fridays and is due the following Friday! Students will receive 5 Dojo points for turning in completed HW on time.



A Look Ahead to Next Week:

Reading: Answering questions about key details (literary text)

Trick Words: children, come, family, father, mother, plan, people, picture, love

CHALLENGE Words: settlers

Phonics: Digraphs; double final consonant (bonus letters...puff, bell, mess); glued sounds (all)

Writing: Capitals, periods, spacing, phonetic spelling, write narratives

Math: #'s to 120; place value

Science/Social Studies:

Jamestown Colony

Citizenship: self-control; kindness