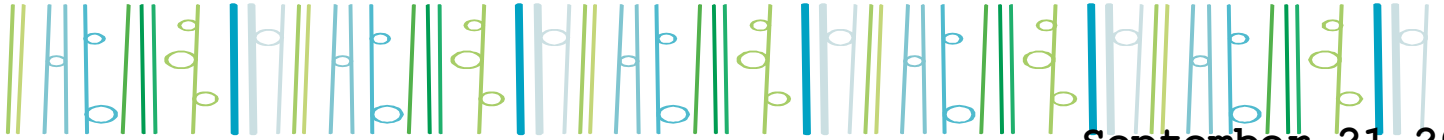


1st Grade Safari News



September 21, 2018

What's been happening in our classroom this week?

Week 8

In math, we finished our chapter on plane (2-D) and solid (3-D) shapes. Plane shapes include: circles, squares, triangles and rectangles. Solid shapes include: rectangular prisms, cylinders, spheres, cubes, cones and pyramids. We know that we can sort shapes by the following: shape, color, size, sides & corners (vertices) which is part of a shape's attributes. We also know that we can put shapes together to compose larger shapes (Ex. 2 squares can make a rectangle, 2 triangles can make a rectangle, etc.).

In Reading, we've been describing the characters, setting and major events in a story by using the key details. We know that the beginning of a story introduces the main character and setting (we know not just to say, "The setting is outside" because outside is unclear. Is it outside at the park, outside in the pool, outside of the movie theater, etc.). The setting can occur outside somewhere, inside somewhere and also when (day or night). Using Eagle Eye, we can use the text and pictures as clues to help us figure these elements out. The middle of a story usually is where the problem is introduced (or a major event) and the ending is how the problem was solved.

In Science, we learned about the 4 seasons, thermometers, helpful and harmful wind and the 4 types of precipitation (rain, sleet, hail and snow). We know that the thermometer readings are lower numbers when the temperature is cool/cold (when it was in the shade) and higher when the temperature is hot.

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

Check Power School to stay up-to-date on your child's grades!

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:

Sept. 25~Dollar for Duds

Sept. 25~Math Night 5:30-7:00pm

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



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: Literary text story elements

Trick Words: all, call, eat, first, every, never, paper, shall, why, they

CHALLENGE Words: precipitation, clouds

Phonics: Blending short vowel sounds; digraphs

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

Math: Fractions

Science/Social Studies:

Clouds

Citizenship: self-control; kindness