Mrs. Roehrs’ Classroom News

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* We will be starting Chapter 17: Addition Stories
	+ Learn to deduce addition sentences from addition stories and write them using the symbols + and =.
	+ Become completely familiar with addition facts to 5.
* **Consider doing both addition and subtraction problems.**
* Encourage your child to count by 1’s and 10’s to 100.
* Practice writing and reading numbers larger than 20.
* **The following are some of the Math Common Core concepts that need to be learned for Kindergarten:**
* Classify objects into given categories; count the objects in each category and sort the categories by count.
* Describe objects in the environment using names of shapes, and describe position of objects – *above, below, beside, in front of, behind,* and *next to.*

***Reading & Writing***

* ***In Reading***: We will review letters O, X, J, H, K, and E. We will read a Realistic Fiction story and an Informational Text this week. We will work on the question: *How do words and pictures help tell a story?*
* ***Phonemic Awareness:*** We will continue to work on **blending** **words and substituting sounds.** When we practice substituting sounds it looks/sounds like this: Say, “nap.” Students say nap. I will then say, “Change the /n/ in nap to /k/. The students should say, “cap.”
* ***Comprehension: Text and Graphic Features–***I will remind children that pictures help us get more information from books that we read. The words work with the pictures to tell us the story. ***Summarize-*** I will remind children that they should think about the important parts of a story when they want to remember it or retell it to someone.
* ***Fluency:*** I will remind students that good readers read with expression. It will make the story more fun to listen to.
* ***In Writing Workshop***, we will begin to work on informational writing with at least 4 sentences, capital letters at beginning, periods at the end, adding detail, and choosing “spicy and sparkly” words. We will be working towards being able to write four page books about topics we know a lot about.
* ***Vocabulary:*** I want to include information about this **CRITICAL** area for young readers. Research shows that a ***child’s learning is dependent on the range of words they are exposed to.*** A child’s vocabulary learning can be facilitated easily and naturally by **making conversation and posing thoughtful questions**.

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***Math***

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* With the spring weather, please have your child bring boots to school. They don’t need snow pants, unless you want them to wear them (or we end up getting more snow).
* Also send in an EXTRA set of clothes – SHIRT, PANTS, UNDERWEAR, SOCKS, and SHOES – as we have already had several students get very wet on the playground despite our best efforts to keep them out of the water!

Reading Vocabulary

1. **Crop:** a plant that is grown for food.
2. **Golden:** deep yellow.
3. **Grind:** to crush and scrape into small pieces.
4. **Patch:** a small piece of land.
5. **Sprout:** to begin to grow.
6. **Sturdy:** not easily bent or broken.
7. **Buds:** flowers that haven’t opened yet.
8. **Damp:** a little wet.
9. **Feast:** a very big meal.
10. **Finally:** after a long time.

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**End of Year Testing**

We will be doing end of year testing beginning in May. Please continue to work with your child at home and practice reading, writing, and math. They have made great gains this year!

The NWEA computer test will be taken the first two weeks of May. Encourage them to take their time and do their best. We have talked about this at school as well. This is their time to SHINE! This is their opportunity to show us what they have learned this year and showcase all they have accomplished. Please make sure your child has had breakfast and is well rested on these days.

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1. **Library Books:** Please be sure to return your child’s library book every week by Thursday. If they forget their book, they cannot check out another one until it is returned. They get so sad about this. Thanks for your help.
2. **Popcorn Money:** Please send in money for popcorn at any time. You can also pay ahead if that makes it easier for you.
3. **End of Day Dismissal:** If your child changes their afternoon routine for going home, please let me know by sending in a note, or calling the office at 775-2280.
4. **Book Orders:** Due April 27th

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

What: Kindergarten Graduation

Where: Mt. Pleasant High School Auditorium

When: June 5th at 6:00



SPECIALS SCHEDULE

Monday – Art

Tuesday – Art and P.E.

Wednesday – Computers and Music

Thursday – P.E. and Library

Friday – Music

\*Bring tennis shoes for P.E.\*

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