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Fourth Grade Facts

A Look Back...

A Look Ahead...

September 2016

Welcome Back!

Welcome back! We are looking forward to an exciting and productive 4th grade year. Don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher with any questions, comments, or concerns.

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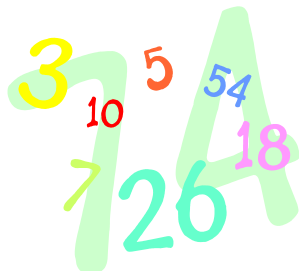
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Math

This month students will be learning to read and write numbers with values up to 1,000,000. We will generalize using place value. Identifying, composing and comparing multi-digit numbers will occur as we explore these concepts through the use of manipulatives and discourse.



Reading and Writing



Students are getting into the groove of fourth grade! They have started to learn the routines and have settled in nicely with their peers. They have also started to use the new technology in their classrooms, Chromebooks! They are engaged in the lessons and love to come up to work on the Promethean board.

Reading—Students have created class rules and started learning the daily routines for independent work time. They will continue to practice these routines so they can work independently when they are not working in guided reading with their teacher. Historical fiction study has begun as well.

Writing— Students started the year writing about a given topic,. They will generate an opinion piece and use evidence to support their opinion. After, they will take a character analysis piece through the writing process, focusing on a character's point of view, and how the character's experiences shape them.

S.S. and Science

During each quarter, we will rotate through social studies and science.



There will also be a study of Maryland and US maps to examine natural and manmade characteristics, as well as settlement patterns.

Science begins with a study of ecosystems—classifying plants and animals, discussing food for living things, and examining the interactions within the ecosystem.

Please send in empty, rinsed 2-liter bottles for our ecosystem projects!



Reminders:

- Lunch \$\$ for Accounts
- Send school forms back with your child (Emergency Forms, Chromebook Agreement, FARMS Form)
- Send in permission Slip-Kingsley Field Trip Sept. 13 or 14

Cougars of the Month

Students are selected for Cougar of the month as part of our PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention System) program. Four students from 4th grade will be recognized for following their ABC's (Act Safely, Be Respectful, Commit to Learning) each month. Their names will be listed below, with their accomplishment listed as well, for the previous month. Keep an eye out for your child.



Important Dates:

- Monday, Sept. 12th—No School for Students (Professional Day)
- Tuesday September 13th- Kingsley Field Trip (Howard/Callan)
- Wednesday, September 14th- Kingsley Field Trip (Deem/Peterson)
- Friday, Sept. 30th—1/2 Day Dismissal 1:25 PM

