

October 11, 2024

The Rocker's Report

Class Newsletter



Fall is here which means that temperatures are always changing, sometimes on a daily basis. Just make sure your child is prepared for any kind of weather.

News from the PTO

Our K-5 PTO is looking forward to many great events this coming year! If you are interested in joining us, we meet the second Wednesday of each month in the Primary Center Multipurpose room at 6:30. Check out our website at www.mhk5pto.com or visit our facebook page! Here is a list of our current and upcoming events:

- Please visit this [link](#) to purchase your Bucky Book! If you are having difficulties ordering with your phone, you may need to use a computer. For some reason there have been some glitches when folks try ordering with a phone
- TONIGHT, October 11th is our Costume Ball from 6:00-7:30 at the IC!

Academics:

Reading/language arts- We will soon be wrapping up Unit 1 of CKLA. We finished our portion of The Wind in the Willows. We really focused on the Author's Theme, which in this story were friendship/loyalty, hospitality, responsibility and irresponsibility. We wrote a short opinion piece explaining why we thought Toad was irresponsible throughout the story. We had to give 3 reasons followed by 3 examples from the story

explaining why they felt Toad was irresponsible. **Please ask your child to tell you 1-2 reasons why Toad was irresponsible along with a specific example from the story.**

We have been learning (and reviewing) what nouns, verbs and adjectives are. **Ask your child to tell you what a noun or verb is and give an example.** Nouns are people, places or things. Verbs are actions words.

Spelling- We have been learning about some common and uncommon spelling patterns in words. We learned the -ph is one way to make the /f/ sound, but it isn't too common. -ch can make a /ch/ sound as in chin but can also make the /k/ sound as in stomach or school. We are also learning about the r-controlled combination of: -ir, -er, -ur, -or and -ar. This can be challenging to know which one to use since a number of them sound alike.

Math- Today we wrapped up Unit 1- addition and subtraction strategies. We will be moving onto Unit 2 - Introduction to Multiplication. Look for a short overview letter coming home in today's Friday folder. This gives you pointers of skills we will be working on. You may want to keep it in your child's homework folder (Done pocket).

Number Corner- For the month of October, for our calendar grid observations, we are focusing on geometric shapes, specifically triangles, quadrilaterals, pentagons and hexagons. We are using vocabulary like: vertices or vertex, right angles, acute and obtuse angles, length of sides, symmetry and more.

We are also collecting $\frac{1}{4}$ L of water everyday and figuring out our running total of liters and milliliters. As of today, we have collected

1,750 ml or 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ liters of water. **How many liters or milliliters of water do you predict we will collect by the end of the month?**

Important Information/Reminders:

- Early Release**- Monday, October 14 @ 12:45 pm
- Unity Day**- Wednesday, October 16th - **wear orange**
- No School**- October 24 and 25
- Fall Party** - October 31 @ 2:15

Special Star

Ledger was our first special star. He celebrated his birthday on September 23rd. Maybe he was treated to his favorite food, french toast. Ledger loves the sport of football, so it makes sense that he feels that throwing a football is something he does well. Every day after school he rides his bike. When he's not doing that, he might be reading a book from the I Survived series or perhaps watching his top movie *The Rookie*. Eminem is his favorite musician. One thing Ledger does to help around the house is to do the chicken chores, feeding them and giving them water. He would like to visit Switzerland again someday. When Ledger grows up, he would like to be a paleontologist.

