



A PEEK AT OUR WEEK!

Week of September 23, 2019

Important Reminders/Information: * * **Picture Day** is **October 1st** at 1:50 PM. Students **DO NOT HAVE TO WEAR THEIR UNIFORMS**. Woohoo! * I will be sending Test Folders home this week. Please check your child's backpack for this red folder. There is a letter enclosed explaining the procedure for signing and returning the tests/quizzes this year. Please take a moment to read the note. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. * Organization is something a lot of us need to work on. One way you can help your child stay organized is by checking his/her binder **EVERY** night. Go through his/her Homework Folder together and take out anything that needs to stay at home. Check his/her backpack—papers should not be stuffed in there. I always tell my students, "Every paper has a home." This means in a **FOLDER**. 😊

Reading Workshop: This week during our reading workshop time, we will continue to strengthen our comprehension skills by following **textual clues** and making higher level predictions by drawing on **important** information in our books. We will also examine plots of fiction stories and identify the various components of plot (rising action, climax/turning point, falling action, etc.).

In addition to our usual minilessons for reading workshop, I will be teaching the students about John Chapman (aka Johnny Appleseed). Through videos, nonfiction reading passages, literature, and a little role-playing (yes...Johnny Appleseed will be making an appearance in Room 122), the students will learn what made him such an important/influential person in the history of this country. In honor of his birthday on the 26th (Thursday), we will be making applesauce and tasting a variety of delicious apple treats (apple cider, apple butter, etc.) I am hoping that each student can bring in **ONE** apple on Thursday. Please see the attached note ([also on the website](#)).

Science: This week Mrs. Elicker, our science teacher, will be continuing to teach the scientists in room 122 about communicable diseases. Last week the scientists conducted a few experiments in which they determined the **BEST** way to get germs off their hands. Mrs. Elicker walked them through the scientific method as they completed these experiments. They also sorted diseases based on whether they are communicable or non-communicable. This week is our last week of science until Unit 2 later in the school year.

Mathematics: This week in math we will wrap up Unit 1 by playing a game called Prism Pile-up. This game will reinforce what we learned about volume of rectangular prisms. On Tuesday, Miss Mihele and I will work with students in small groups to review skills they will need to know for this Progress Check. We will encourage students to study at home using their Student Reference Book (it is our version of a textbook for math). Wednesday and Thursday will be our Unit 1 "Progress Check." A letter is attached to this newsletter listing what will be on this check. We will kick off Unit 2 next week with a lesson on understanding place value! **Keep an eye out for the Unit 2 Family Letter coming home soon.**



Miss Mathisen's Class



Happy Birthday!

September 29th: Jay

The Student of the Week is:

Jose ☺

This week's special schedule...

Monday: (Day 1): Music

Tuesday (Day 2): Art

Wednesday (Day 3): Library

Thursday (Day 4): PE

Friday (Day 5): None-all students go to CHORUS

UPCOMING EVENTS AT RAINBOW

September 23rd: Safety Meeting (8:00 AM)

September 24th: Garden Club (4:15 PM)

September 25th & 26th: Girls on the Run

September 26th: Johnny Appleseed Day

September 27th: Spirit Wear

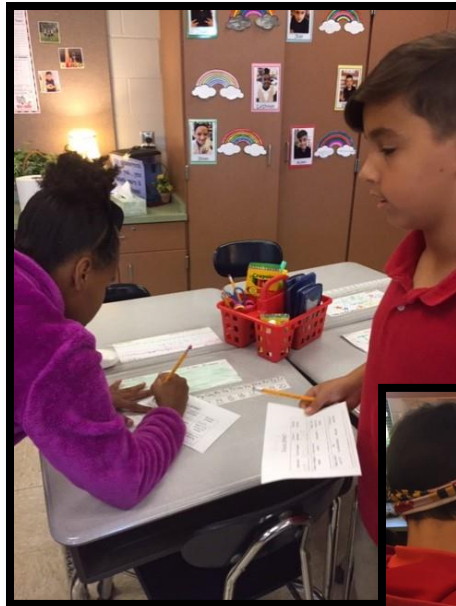
* Favorite Jersey/Sports Day

September 27th: First day of Chorus!

October 1st: Picture Day (uniforms are not required)

We had a few extra minutes last week before going to recess. We took the opportunity to get to know each other even MORE by playing a "People BINGO" game. Not only did it get the class up and moving, it also got them socializing and speaking with peers they may not always talk to.

Last week in Room 122...



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