

Team 6-2's Third Quarter Progress Report Newsletter

Important Dates to Remember

March 17 - Early Release Day

April 2 - Quarter Ends

April 12 - 26 - Book Fair Dates

April 13 - Conferences 4-7 pm

April 15 - Conferences 3-6 pm

April 16 - Teacher workshop day

April 16 - Vacation begins for students

May 7 - Next progress report mailed

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Dr. Seuss's Birthday

What did you do for Dr. Seuss's birthday? We were celebrating the end of our Informational Poster Assessment on Dr. Seuss by having a day dedicated to him. (The official day is "Dr. Seuss Day" or as Scholastic calls it, Read Across America Day.) The kids enjoyed reading with snacks and friends, Dr. Seuss trivia and doing Dr. Seuss activities. They may be 6th graders, but they did enjoy going back to their younger years for this event.



Next stop--Ancient Rome!!

Social Studies classes will be doing their Greece assessment and we will turn to the West---to Italy. Ancient Rome was the largest ancient civilization. We will be studying this civilization using our two resources: the internet and various activities. Students will show comprehension through worksheets, act out scenes from Rome through plays and engage in games to digest all this new information. Rested and ready to go, this should be a fascinating time.



Math News . . .

As the first week of March comes to a close, we are completing the section on Factors and Divisibility. Students will be studying multiples and fractions over the next few weeks. Periodic multiplication tests are likely to occur while we are covering these topics. Working on multiplication skills at home will be beneficial to students.

Other topics we will explore this year are data analysis and fractions. Students will learn how to calculate mean, median and mode and how to display data. During our comprehensive study of fractions, students will learn how to compare, order, add, subtract, multiply, and divide fractions and mixed numbers.

Mrs. Archer's time with the class will end Mrs. Cram returns on March 22nd.



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Mysteries in Language Arts Classes

As you read on page one, we have just finished our Dr. Seuss unit. Students practiced their researching skills again by creating a poster on Dr. Seuss. Included were note-taking skills, editing skills, a bibliography, either putting information into their own words or using quotes and graphics to complete the poster. Look for them in the hall!

In reading classes we have started a new read aloud that ties in with our Mystery Unit. The title is Ransom. The story tells of a kidnapping of 5 high school students. Get ready to be scared.

Next begins the mystery unit. Students will be experiencing a wide variety of mysteries in the next few weeks. The end product will be a Mystery Assessment and a team created Mystery Book that has one mystery from each student included. After that, there will be an in-class mystery where they put their detective skills to the test and try to figure out "whodunit"!



Science Happenings

Does space end? It may not seem like space will ever end, but we are at the end of **our** space unit. They are ending this unit with a few activities: Space Probes, Hero Engine Lab, "October Sky" movie and shooting off rockets. If any students have rockets to bring in, we will be shooting them off when the weather gets warmer.

What's next? The next unit will be Earth. The students will be going to the elementary schools to teach 2nd graders about an Earth Science topic. There's more info to come later.