

October 6, 2017

Hi Everyone,

Another busy week has flown by again. Did you realize that there is only one more month left in this grading period? Remind your children to be trying their best at every assignment and project.

We will be doing some reteaching of procedures and assignments next week. I only received a couple of reading logs for the month of September and those were not complete. Students have also not been letting us know when and what they are doing for reading, writing, and research. I had hoped that having detailed sheets of what assignments were due and when, would make it easier for them to complete their work and get it turned in. That is also not happening like it should.

In cursive, students must write in ink. They need to take their time and always do a neat and legible job. On these assignments, they are graded on how things look to help them learn their cursive better and practice it correctly. I have purchased erasable pens for the students and they are supposed to arrive today. In their regular work, the words must be readable and also in ink. I will be making students redo all unreadable work on separate sheets starting this week.

In social studies we will be moving on to study individual civilizations. Mesopotamia is first on our list. In science we have watched *A Brief History of Time* and studied about stars this last week. Students brainstormed ideas for their science fiction stories. Next week we will combine science and language arts by starting to read *A Wrinkle in Time* and working more on the structure and plot of our own science fiction stories.

We will be drawing vocabulary words from that, as well as science and social studies for the next month, then we will go back to our spelling books after that again.

Since we had some absences this week, we put off making our brain model until next week. We will be working on that Tuesday morning even if we have some absences. Look for pictures of these colorful brains.

The students really enjoyed the field trip to the Carson Center to see Illuminate. They weren't as keen on the park as they have been in past years, because it seems that many other schools decide that would be a good place for lunch as well.

Please check your mailbox for forms to order pictures and info on how to view the proofs on line to get your order in on time.

Do you have some friends and acquaintances who might be wanting to get together for a fun night? Sign up for the CNS Trivia Night at Blue Sky on October (Friday) 13. I am so excited to actually be able to attend this year. I hope that I see lots of you there for a fun and relaxing evening.

Best wishes,

Carla

## **Upcoming Events**

Monday, October 9: Holiday-no school and no childcare

Friday, October 13: Trivia Night at Blue Sky

Tuesday, October 31: Oktoberfest and Party from 1:00-3:00

Wednesday, November 1: Whacky Wednesday Assembly 8:30

Thursday, November 2: School Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Friday, November 3: End of the Grading Period and No School or Childcare