

PLEASE PACK HEALTHY SNACKS AND LUNCH FOR YOUR CHILD!!

Math

1st: Count back; Think addition to subtract; Use 10 to subtract; Break apart to subtract; Use subtraction strategies

Last weeks newsletter gave the wrong information for first grade work. We will not be doing 2 digit addition at this time.

2nd: Represent even and odd numbers; Understand place value

2nd/3rd: Estimate sums; Mental math strategies for addition; Use properties to add; Use the break apart strategy to add

3rd: Multiply with 8 and 9; Problem Solving
Keep practicing your multiplication flashcards.

Language Arts

Finish this language arts unit. We will begin a new unit October 30th.

1st

Story: Gus Takes the Train

Words to know: friend, full, good, hold, many, pull

Grammar: Adjectives

Comprehension: Story structure

Writing: Class Story

Spelling: Short u words

up, bug, mud, nut, hug, tub

You will notice that their word list is much longer. Please make sure you are working at home on these words. By the end of the unit each child should be able to recognize and read the entire list.

2nd

Story: The Ugly Vegetables

Words to know: blooming, wrinkled, shovels, plain, scent, muscles, tough, nodded

Grammar: Proper Nouns

Comprehension: Conclusions

Writing: Summary Paragraph

Spelling: Double consonants and ck

dress, spell, class, full, add, neck, stuck, kick, rock, black, trick, doll, will, off, across, pocket

3rd

Story: Max's Words

Words to know: collect, ragged, scrambled, rapidly, orders, continued, sorted, darted

Grammar: What is a verb?

Comprehension: Sequence of Events

Writing: Write to Respond

Spelling: Short and Long vowels

math, cheese, toast, June, easy, elbow, socks, program, Friday, shiny, stuff, piles, paid, sticky

Chapter Book: *Mary Poppins*

Project: Landforms

We have finally started working on our model. It has been a great time to get outside and start creating different landforms and structures. It will be interesting to see what happens when we start getting rain.

General Information:

It's hard to believe we are this far into the school year. I have seen a lot of growth in all of the children. Thank you for all of your help and support.

We will be writing a fun fall/halloween story this week. I hope to have them posted in the hallway by October 30th. If you haven't been in the classroom lately you may not have noticed our great bulletin boards in the hallway. This is a place where I can display the students work. Make a point to visit every once in awhile. You will also find helpful information such as the newsletter and party sign up sheet.

The students mentioned that they would like to carve pumpkins. I was actually thinking they could carve, paint, or melt crayons on a pumpkin. They each will need to bring in one medium to large pumpkin for this project. We will be doing it on Friday October 27th.

We are looking for more parents to work the lunch hour (12:00-1:00). If you are in need of service hours or just want to help out please contact Courtney.

REPEATED INFORMATION:

On October 21st CNS will be having a work day starting at 1pm. Come on out and use up some service hours. We have lots of projects that need to be completed.

Please remember to send healthy snacks and lunch for your child. Lots of sugary sweets can make children hyper and struggle with focus. Great alternatives are fruits and vegetables.

As it is starting to get cold (and then warm again) please remember to send the proper attire for your children. It can be chilly in the morning and I have seen many students standing outside with short sleeves and they are trying to stay warm. Students have been borrowing sweatshirts and jackets from other children.

Oktoberfest is right around the corner. On October 31st, students will be allowed to dress up at 1pm. They cannot come to school in their costumes. At 1:30 we will be going outside for some fun, fall activities. I need a parent volunteer to run the BINGO area. At 2:30 we will come back in for the classroom party. I will be posting a treat sign up sheet on the board outside the classroom. If you are interested in helping please sign up on the sheet.

One of the goals of the CNS marketing and retention committee is to create a family directory so new families can pair names with familiar faces. Please email office@carbondalenewschool.com a casual family snapshot to be included in the private CNS family directory. This will only be given out to CNS families and not shared with the community. We would like to have this directory done in the next two weeks.

Calendar of Events:

October 31: Oktoberfest
November 3: No School/End of Grading Period
November 10: No School
November 21: Thanksgiving Feast/Noon Dismissal
November 22, 23, 24: No School
November 27: School resumes
November 30: SIU Craft Fair

Wish List:

Small Ziploks
Paper towel
Mary Poppins: The Movie

I need the song Stand by Me by Ben E. King put on a CD for the Winter Program.