

Math

Grade 1: Record related facts; Identify related facts; Use addition to check subtraction; Missing numbers; Use related facts

Grade 2: Practice subtraction; Use ten to subtract; Use drawings to represent problems; Use equations to represent problems; Equal groups

Grade 3:

T: Multiply with 2, 4, 5, 10, 3 and 6; Distributive property

C: Compare fractions; Fractions with same denominator; Fractions with same numerator; Order fractions

Language Arts

Story: *Diary of a Spider*

Genre: Humorous fiction

1st graders

Skill: Text and Graphic Features

We will be making a puzzle.

Strategy: Alphabetical Order

Phonics: Short e; Consonants y, w, k, v, j; Phonogram -et

Grammar: Adjectives

Spelling words: yet, web, pen, wet, leg, hen

2nd graders

Skill: Cause and Effect

We will make a chart

Phonics: Long vowels o, u, e

Sounds for g

Grammar: Nouns

Vocabulary Strategies: Context Clues

Spelling words: doze, nose, use, rose, pole, close, cute, woke, mule, rode, role, tune

3rd graders

Skill: Text and Graphic Features

Creating a new page in the story.

Phonics: Three-Letter Clusters (scr-, spr, str-, thr-)

Grammar: Verb tenses

Vocabulary Strategies: Synonyms

Spelling words: three, scrap, street, spring, thrill, scream, strange, throw, string, scrape, spray, threw, strong, scratch

Chapter Book:

The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis

Project: Medieval Times (Middle Ages in Europe)

We read more about pages, squires and knights. We explored different family crests and the importance of having a crest during the Medieval Times. The kids are developing their own crest and putting it on a shield. We ended the week playing "Capture the Flag".

Next week, we will begin working on our play "Sword in the Stone". We will be performing this at the Winter Program.

Thursday STEM: The Domino Effect: Physics
(The kids will love this!)

General Information

The all school song for the Winter Program will be "I Just Can't Wait to be King" from the Disney movie *The Lion King*. We will be practicing every

week until the December production. This winter program will be at SIU, Quigley Hall, at 6:30pm. Please let me know if your child will not be there. It is important since our class is doing a play.

REPEATED INFORMATION

If you have a relative that has been a service to the government please send in a picture. We are going to make a board honoring all of our service men and women.

The playground is in need of boards for the fort area. If you have access to some and would like to donate please contact Courtney in the office.

We are looking for a family that would be interested in video recording the Winter Program. We would like to sell the videos as a fundraiser. Contact Courtney if interested.

Reminder that grades 1 through 3 have PE on Tuesday and Thursday. They need shoes that are appropriate for running.

Picture day is scheduled for Wednesday October 24th at 9am.

CANTS forms were given to you at the beginning of the school year. These forms allow us to get a background check so that you can drive other children on field trips, volunteer at the school, etc. Please make sure that form is turned in.

Schedule for Day of the Dead (November 1st)

Come to school dressed in your costume.

Outside festival starts at 10am and ends at 11am.

Classroom party will be from 11am until noon.

I will put a sign up sheet outside the classroom for party treats.

The class has decided to watch *Wonder* on October 31st. We will be comparing the movie to the book. If anyone has the movie and would let us use it please let me know as soon as possible.

Calendar of Events:

October 24: 9 a.m. Pictures

October 31: Field trip to CCHS

Movie day: *Wonder*

November 1: Day of the Dead/ Noon dismissal

November 2: No School/ End of Grading Period

November 7: Patriotic Day

November 10: Work Day

November 12: No School

Food drive begins/Ends November 20

November 13: Cedarhurst visits CNS

November 14: Castle Park field trip

November 20: 10:30 Read with your child

11:00 Feast

12:00 Dismissal

November 21-23: No School

Classroom Wish List

Electric pencil sharpener

Kleenex

Computer paper