

I will not be here October 26th. I will be working on checklists for the end of the grading period. Ms. Annie, Ms. Liz, Ms. Courtney and Amina will be helping out.

Thank you so much, Kathy

## **Math**

Grade 1: Choose and operation; Ways to make numbers to 20

Grade 2: Model with drawings and equations

Grade 3:

T: Multiply with 7; Associative property of multiplication

C: Equivalent fractions

## **Language Arts**

We will finish this unit Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday we will work on a spider art project.

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:**

*Tuesdays at the Castle* by: Jessica Day George

**Project:** Medieval Times (Middle Ages in Europe)

We are working on our play, *Sword in the Stone*. Each student has a part in the play. If you are not going to be at the Winter Program please let me know ASAP.

**Thursday STEM:** Noon dismissal on Thursday. No STEM

## **General Information**

I still need families to sign up to bring treats for the Day of the Dead celebration on November 1st. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board

outside the classroom. I need a fruit tray, cheese and cracker tray, a couple sweet treats, juice and a craft. Let me know if you are interested in donating any of these items.

#### REPEATED 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.

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.

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. I HAVE 2 FAMILIES THAT NEED TO FILL THIS FORM OUT.

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 31: Field trip to CCHS(postponed)

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