4th Grade News

What’s Happening 8/20-8/31
8/24: Spirit Day
8/28: Parent Orientation (1st-5th)
   Session 1: 4:30-5:15pm
   Session 2: 5:30-6:15pm
8/29: Aussie Auction Begins
8/31: National College Colors Day

Reminders/Other Notes
*Your child is allowed to bring his/her own device to school. We utilize technology often in the classroom and would love to have students bring their technology! Please make sure devices are labeled with a first and last name.

A Peek At What We Are Learning

Reading
- Launching Reader’s Workshop in Realistic Fiction

Writing
- Launching Writer’s Workshop with Narratives
  - Grammar: Subject & Predicate

Math
- Daily Math #1
  - Place Value to Billions
  - Comparing/Ordering Decimals

Science
- Physical Properties of Matter (Magnetism & Density)
  - Matter Check 8/31

How to Help at Home
- Review your child’s planner for homework assignments.
- Encourage your child to spend time reading every night.
- Practice all fast facts: addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

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100 YEARS IN THE MAKING... 16 YEARS STRONG
Helpful Ways to Review Math/Science

Math: Place Value

Science

Forms Of Energy
- Mechanical
  - Energy of motion
  - Making something move
    - Riding a Bicycle
    - Pushing a Cart
    - Kicking a Ball
- Sound
  - Energy that travels in sound waves
    - Voices, Music, Car Engines
- Electrical
  - Energy that flows through current of electricity
- Thermal
  - Heat Energy
- Sun, Stove, Geothermal
- Light
  - Energy that flows through waves of light particles
  - Sun and Lamps
Helpful Ways to Review Reading/Writing

Launching Writer’s Workshop with Fictional Narrative

**Developing Characters:**
- collections
- worries
- favorite clothes
- quirks
- treasures
- secrets
- rituals
- illnesses
- relatives
- ways of talking
- best friends
- conversations
- hobbies
- personality traits
- clubs/sports

**Plan Your Story!**

1. Set the scene and introduce your character.
2. Introduce the problem:
3. Add details to the problem. It gets worse!
4. The problem gets even worse!
5. The problem gets solved.

Launching Reader’s Workshop in Realistic Fiction

**Plot:**
- The sequence of events that take place in a literary work.
  - Climax: the turning point.
- Rising Action:
  - States of events and development towards the problem
- Problem:
  - Conflict
- Falling Action
  - Resolution: the connection to the story that reveals the solution to the problem/conflict
- Resolution
  - the solution to the problem