

Corbitt Connection

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October Resource Schedule

P.E.: 10th, 19th, & 23rd
Music: 8th, 18th, & 31st
Art: 29th

Field Trip

Our first field trip has been scheduled. Today your child is bringing home his/her permission slip. Please return your child's money and slip in the given envelope. ☺

SMILE It's Picture Day (almost)

Next Friday, October 19th, will be picture day. These pictures are PRE-PAID. If you wish to order your child's pictures please be sure to return his/her picture envelope with exact change only, no later than next Friday, in your child's planner.

"What Can I Do at Home?"

Thursday, October 25, is the end of the first nine weeks. It is important that your child has read at least seven books and completed a book response for each book. Your child has the opportunity to work on these both, in class and at home. The total number of responses completed by Thursday (10-25-12) will be recorded in the grade book as a reading quiz grade. For this week's tip I would like to encourage you to make sure that your child is reading each day at home and completing a response at the end of the book. There are several students that have not been completing this section of their homework and as a result are not meeting this reading standard.

Important Dates to Remember

October 11	T-shirt Fundraiser Ends
October 17	Early Dismissal @ 1:45 p.m.
October 19	Smile-it's picture day! ☺ Spelling Test
October 25	7 Book Responses are due

What's Hoppin' Academically

Reader's Workshop

This week we will continue to work with summarizing. We have been using the acronym SWBST. SWBST stands for "Somebody Wanted But So Then." This week we will look at how we can summarize nonfiction articles.

Writer's Workshop

An outstanding vocabulary is one sign of an excellent writer, which is why this week we will look at the word choice piece of the narrative writing standard. We will look at using "strong" verbs as well as exact and exciting descriptive words.

Skills Block

This week the students will receive their next set of spelling words. The spelling test for these words will be on Friday, October 19th. Please have your child keep these words in a safe place so that they can complete their spelling activities this and next Wednesday night.

Math

We began multiplication and everyone has a strategy that works for them-yea! We will continue this unit this week. Please visit the "Math" page of our class website for a copy of the strategies the students came up with for solving "regular" multiplication story problems as well as "missing factor" multiplication story problems.

Science

One more week and science we will be back!

Social Studies

This week we will wrap up the last piece of our land and resources chapter. The focus will be on natural, renewable, and nonrenewable resources.

Homework Schedule

Monday: Math *
Tuesday: Math *
Wednesday: Spelling *
Thursday: Math *

* 20 Minutes of independent reading