



Fabulous Fourth Grade's Weekly News

For the week of: November 4, 2013



What We Are Up To:

4th Grade Reading: This week's reading selection is A Cricket in Times Square. Our focus skills include creating mental images as we read and drawing conclusions about the traits, actions, and motives of characters.

5th Grade Reading: We are reading a selection from the book Island of the Blue Dolphins. Our focus skills are determining cause and effect, reviewing figurative language, and an introduction to haikus.

4th Grade Math: We are continuing our investigation of fractions by adding and subtracting fractions with like denominators. We will also continue to work on problem-solving skills and multiplication and division.

5th Grade Math: We are continuing our investigation of adding and subtracting fractions and mixed numbers with unlike denominators and working on problem-solving skills.

Science: It's all about conservation in science! We are studying reducing, reusing and recycling. On your child's first day of science this week, a recycling project was sent home.

Social Studies: Students will research and identify important historical figures during the westward expansion.

Writing: Our focus trait this month is "organization." We will be practicing this skill through a variety of mini-lessons, quick-writes and writing a story called "The Secret Shortcut."

Reduce, Reuse Recycle Project

Teacher	Project Due
Albert	Monday, Nov. 11
Chambers	Tuesday, Nov. 12
Ortega	Wednesday, Nov. 13
Bovard	Thursday, Nov. 14
Walker	Friday, Nov. 15

- Do not buy anything for this project.
- Use only items that you have at your home.
- Write a paragraph describing your creation.

Be creative and have fun!

Important Dates in November:

- 11** No School – Veteran's Day
- 15** Yearbook Cover Contest Ends
- 15** All-School Veteran's Day Picnic for students and families
- 22** 2nd Qtr. Nonfiction Book Project **Due**

We hope you will plan to join us **Nov. 15** for the **Veteran's Day Picnic**. 4th grade lunch on Nov. 15 will be 11:15 – 11:35. More details later!