

Monthly Newsletter! *November 2019*

What have we been learning?

Writing:

In Writer's Workshop, we have been busy prepping our literary essays with lessons based on character traits, crafting a thesis, and backing up our claims with evidence from a story.

Spelling:

Spelling has been assessed across the curriculum, particularly within reading and writing.

Reading:

Our final group projects based on *Where the Red Fern Grows* were filled with creativity and precision! We examined biographies, Reader's Theater, and response journals. We are also incorporating skills such as character development using the characters from our new literary analysis-based reading books. During book group time, we discuss the skills taught during the mini lesson and incorporate such skills throughout the literature circle.

ELA & Social Studies with Miss Brackett!



In the News!

Breakfast Bunch will be held every Tuesday at 7:45. Students are allowed to bring their breakfast and transition into the school day by either working on homework or seeing myself or Mrs. Cotter for extra help. We hope to see you there! I will notify you when Breakfast Bunch cannot be held for any particular week.

Social Studies:

We are continuing to dive into the 5 Themes of Geography. We began with the location theme and assessed our knowledge on characteristics of location such as latitude and longitude, and absolute and relative location. Next up, we will be focusing the place theme and researching famous places and what makes our landmark distinct from others.



Announcements:

- Please see your child's Thursday folder with graded work and a self reflection of the week. Thank you for initialing each page in the folder! This greatly helps communication between school and home!
- Breakfast Bunch every Tuesday at 7:45!

Dates to be mindful of:

11/5-15th Fun-Run Fall Fundraiser

11/11 Veterans Day (no school)

11/12 Picture Retake

11/19 Term 1 Ends

11/27 Early Release-Thanksgiving

11/28-29 Thanksgiving Break



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