

Monday: Gym



Tuesday: Art



Wednesday: Technology



Thursday: Music; Library

Friday: Gym



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Happy birthday!



Robert M. ~ November 4th

Reading: This week we're continuing our unit~ Insight Into Characters. Students will be learning about characters based on what they hold dear, using exact words to describe characters' actions, and reading with theories in their mind to confirm or revise their thinking as they read.

Students need to have a book to read during independent reading time.

Writing: Students will continue working on their personal narratives by elaborating their ideas, and creating strong leads and conclusions. They will also work on reflecting on and assessing their own writing.

Grammar: Continuing with Subjects and Predicates

Word Work: Plural Words

Math: This week we're working on multi-digit whole number division. We will also be working on estimating quotients.

In order to make division easier, students need to have a good understanding of their basic math facts. (I cannot stress this enough... Students who don't intrinsically know their math facts are taking longer to complete the work and will have more homework than those who know their facts.) Please make sure they're practicing XtraMath daily!

This Week (11/4/19):

- November 5: Parent Club Mtg, 9:30am and 6:30pm
- November 7: Skating party @ The Rink, 6-8pm
- November 8: Spirit Day~ Red, White, & Blue day in honor of Veteran's Day:

Next Week (11/11/19):

- November 15: Spirit Day MSU vs. UM Day
- November 15: ½ Day, 12:13 dismissal- Record's Day

Science: We will continue our first unit, Go with the Flow, learning about the ways the geosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere, and/or atmosphere interact. Students will be able to understand and explain how organisms such as zebra mussels, can affect the Great Lakes. Students will be completing a project to demonstrate their understanding of the concepts.

Leader In Me: Today we talked about focusing on using proactive language. Ask your child, "What are examples of proactive language?" We will continue working on **Habit 1: Be Proactive.** Our next lesson focuses on being a transition person.

IXL skill/category:
Dividing Decimals~
D: 11, 12, 13, & 14.5 (new)
These skills support our current unit of study and will help with understanding of the concepts.
Students should be using IXL 30 minutes a day, at least 3 times per week



our library time is Thursday mornings. All books should be turned in by wednesday afternoon each week. Make sure your child is bringing their books in every week.

- Upcoming:
- November 20: DARE Graduation, 10:30am
 - November 20: ½ Day, 12:13 dismissal- PD Day
 - November 20 & 21: Conferences

Thank you to everyone who donated any food or supplies for the Halloween party. The students did a great job planning and running their party!



Here are the apps/websites included in your child's password list:

Google: Your child's log-in in case they somehow get logged out of their Google account on their iPad. They need to be logged into their Google Account in order for any new apps or updates to be pushed through.

SpellingCity.com: A website for students to practice the weekly spelling pattern and demonstrate their knowledge.

Zearn: This site is aligned exactly with EngageNY. Students (and parents) will use this to reinforce and reteach any lessons on which they may need more help. There are sample problems and videos to explain the lessons.

XtraMath: All of the concepts the students will be learning this year are dependent on the students knowing their math facts. Students need to practice their multiplication and division facts so they know them by heart.

IXL Math: This site provides extra practice to support the topics we're working on in class.

MobyMax: An adaptive, differentiated learning website to help students in different subject areas.

Freckle: A fun game-like site to practice fifth grade math and reading concepts.

RazKids: A website to practice reading concepts, comprehension, and fluency.

Epic!: An online library of books the students can read at their reading levels.

Discovery Education: This is the online website we use for Science. Students need to be able to log-in if they ever have Science homework.

TeachTCl: This is the online website we use for Social Studies. Students need to be able to log-in if they ever have Social Studies homework.

