

November Newsletter 2016 - 4th Grade

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“Give thanks for unknown blessings already on their way.”

~ Native American Proverb

LANGUAGE ARTS

In reading, students in 208 and 212 have learned to distinguish several types of Oral Tradition stories these past few weeks: Folk tales, fairy tales, fables, legends, myths, tall tales, and trickster tales. They have also read several personal narratives, which are self-written biographical sketches of individuals. For the next few weeks, we will concentrate on the story arc or plot diagram as it is revealed in short stories and chapter books.

Fourth grade students have also written personal narratives of their own, narrating an event in their own lives. They have also authored original fables. For the second quarter, students will work on opinion pieces and constructed arguments. They will learn to identify and use first, second, and third person points of view.

Students should be reading a minimum of 30 minutes every evening. If parents need help selecting materials to read, please contact me. Happy Thanksgiving, everyone!

SCIENCE

The students will begin learning about Earth's systems and how they interact with each other. They will explore ideas and use their newfound knowledge to experiment and push their thinking even farther!



MATH

Students will be focusing on multiplication and geometry. Area, patterns, multiples, and symmetry are just some of the topics they will be learning. They will be able to identify and classify triangles and quadrilaterals. They have already begun to notice these geometrical shapes in the world around them.

SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance is important. Please make sure the students are in school every day. Check out Sabin's website. Please log on to www.sabin.cps.edu for school information.



HOMEWORK

Students receive homework daily and are expected to turn in their work on time. Please check with your child to ensure that they are keeping up with their assignments. A “Missing Work/Inappropriate Behaviors” sheet will continue to go home on Fridays to keep parents updated on a weekly basis.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Professional Development for Teachers - November 4th - No School
- Report Card Pick-Up - November 9th
- Veterans Day - November 11th - No School
- Thanksgiving Break - November 23rd - 25th

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