

NEWSLETTER

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Spelling/Vocabulary:

The words this week will come from our Journeys' series - lesson 6. The spelling/vocabulary/grammar test is Friday, November 29, 2019.

- alarmed * fade
- daring * extraordinary
- luminous * indescribable
- reacted * conferring
- convey * awe

Vocabulary Strategy:

Students will be working with the suffixes "y" and "ous"

Math:

In math we will be dividing. We will first be modeling with a place value chart to better understand the process. We will then move on to using the standard algorithm, and checking our answers with multiplication. Students will be interpreting the remainder in real world division problems. Next, we will be using the area model to divide. Finally, we will be finding factor pairs of a given number to determine if that number is prime or composite. Remember that every Friday we will have a timed test, and a short Flashback Quiz. Keep studying those math facts, the better students know them, the better they will do in this module!

Science:

In science we will be studying slow and fast changes to the earth's surface. We will begin by studying weathering, erosion, and deposition. We will be learning about the differences between them. We will be doing an experiment in the Stem lab this week to help us understand these better. We will then explore the effects volcanoes, tsunamis, and earthquakes have on the earth's surface. The students will be doing a research project with partners and they will be presenting to the class about this topic.

Reading:

This week in reading, students will explore vocabulary and the characteristics of poetry. They will participate in several activities where they compare different types and styles of poetry. Additionally, students will do a text to text compare and contrast with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s and Langston Hughes' work. Both pieces of literature talk about dreams. Students will discuss how their dreams were the same and how they were different.

Upcoming Dates:

November 11-14 Book Fair
November 11 – Veteran's Day Program & Author's Visit.
November 14 –Thanksgiving Lunch
November 15 – End of grading period
November 19 - School Picture Retakes
November 22- Report cards go out
November 27-29 Thanksgiving Break

Social Studies:

Students will explain when, where, and why groups of people explored, colonized, and settled in the United States, including the search for religious freedom and economic gain.

Writing/Grammar:

Students will participate in a practice grade level on demands this week. They will learn how to analyze the format, audience, and purpose. Students will pre-plan their pieces by a quick draft to help them organize their thoughts and paragraphs. Additionally, students will work on the constructing a clear claim, We will be emphasizing the importance of word choice. In grammar, students will be working with action verbs, main verb and helping verbs, and linking verb.