

Husky Happenings

Week of:

August 31st- September 4th

Curriculum Update:

Reading: We will continue to learn about context clues and inferencing.

Social Studies: We will resume social studies on the 8th after Memorial Day.

Writing: Inspired by the Traveling Cow we will work towards publishing our first narrative of the year.

ELA: Spelling lists go home Monday. Spelling homework will continue next week with <u>improved</u> instructions. In addition our grammar focus will be on plural nouns.

Math: I realize that there are some students who are still not able to add and subtract with regrouping consistently. I am aware of this and have been giving those students extra help. We must move on to the next unit and <u>start multiplication and division next week</u>. If your child is still struggling, please continue to work with your children at home. I will support you as much as we can for these skills. If you want additional at home practice sheets, please email me. Thinking Blocks is a great way to practice.

Science: We are almost ready to show what we know about rocks and minerals. This past week we focused on Science more than social studies, **so our first test will be on Wednesday September 2nd.** The students have had an amazing time in the lab and are pros at rocks and minerals. A special thanks to Mrs. Joseph for helping during our rock cycle lab.

Our first visit from Wright Center will be this week!

Class information/dates to remember:

- Due to our lunch being so late in the day, please send a large snack with your children as they are getting very hungry during our math lesson. (We appreciate all of the yummy donations that were sent in.)
- Lavanya's birthday is Monday, the 31st!
- Cardboard Challenge begins 8/31
- BYOD every Friday (Genius Hour) Please download these Free Apps available on android and iOS:
 MackinVIA, Front Row Math, Edmodo, and a QR code reader (any kind will do). Also note that we are not able to charge devices and they must come fully charged in order to use. We also cannot download any apps at school.
- <u>Classroom Volunteers Needed</u> Bookmark this page as it will update as the year progresses
 Thank you to those who have already volunteered and donated towards the classroom.
- Tuesday 9/1 is our Media Center Day
- Travelling Cow- Have your child write for 5 minutes about anything they want every Monday through Thursday as part of their homework. They should refer to their ideas page if they get stuck.
- If your child needs assistance with homework they are welcome to see me before the bell.

 Please e-mail me so that I know to expect them.

School news:

- Cyber Bullying Presentation by Patti Agatston will be held on Thursday, September 3 from 6:30 to 8:00 in our Professional Learning room
- Murdock's IXL subscription has expired, so you will no longer be able to logon at home. Our Technology Committee is reviewing programing options, IXL being one of them, to determine what the best fit is for our students. As soon as a determination is made families will be notified.
- Your last chance to donate items to our Goodwill Donation truck will tomorrow, Saturday, August 29 from 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.
- MESF Patron Program is currently underway. The Patron Program will wrap up September
 Your support is greatly appreciated.
- Please take time to join PTA using their online toolkit at https://murdockpta.membershiptoolkit.com