

Reminders

We Are Learning

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to our first full week of school. Here are a few reminders:

- Please feel free to send two snacks in for your child.
- School begins promptly at 7:30.
 Our classroom instruction
 begins no later than 7:35, so if your child is tardy often, they miss valuable minutes of instruction time.
- Weekly homework begins this week. We do have weekly math and writing homework (figurative language booklets). The math homework consists of review skills, so your child should be able to complete this on their own.

Math:

We will begin Topic 7 – Factors and Multiples

Throughout this unit, we will learn how to determine if a number is prime or composite and how to determine the factors of a given number up to 100.

Reading:

We will dive back into informational text for Unit 5. We will focus on the following reading skills throughout this unit:

<u>Comprehension:</u> text structure, author's claims and evidence, interpret text features

<u>Vocabulary:</u> figurative language (metaphors)

Word Work:

Morphology

We will learn about suffixes that change nouns to adverbs and adjectives.

Adverb Suffixes: -ly, -ily, -ways, -wise

Adjectives Suffixes: -ful, -ous, - ible, -able, -some

Writer's Workshop:

We will learn how to write argumentative writing pieces using facts from a text.

Alabama history:

We will begin learning about the events that led to the American Civil War.

Dates to Remember

January 15th Report Card Go Home

January 16th Topic 7 Math Test – Factor Pairs and Multiples

January 17th Weekly Math Homework Due

January 20th Martin Luther King Jr. Observance

January 22nd Figurative Language Booklets Due

January 28th PES family Reading Night – more details to come

Current Class Read Aloud: Wishtree by Katherine Applegate