

THE WALKER TIMES

THE FROG-TASTIC NEWSLETTER OF MRS. WALKER'S 4TH GRADE

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HOMework

MONDAY

Math: HW p. 115 and Remembering p. 116
Spelling: Take Home Task 12 (Contractions)

TUESDAY

Math: "Subtracting Through 4-Digits"
Cursive: "Attitude" p.4

WEDNESDAY

Math: "Adding and Subtracting Practice"

THURSDAY

Study Social Studies Study Guide for Units 3 and 4

WISH LIST

- Snack (Don't send until we track back in)

ROCK STAR OF THE MONTH



Lindsay is our September Rock Star!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

We made it to track out week!! I hope everyone had a nice weekend! I went to the DPAC and saw Grease on Saturday and loved it!! We also went and saw a new movie called Paranormal Activity and it was SCARY!! Then we spent Sunday watching football and enjoying the first crockpot of chili for the season! YUM!

This week we'll be taking the first On Demand writing task on Tuesday (9:30-11:00). We'll also be taking two math tests this week (Blue Diamond and the Unit 3 test). The study guide for our next social studies test will be coming home on Monday. The test will be on Thursday, November 12th in the afternoon. Your child has all of this week to study, as well as Monday-Wednesday of the week that we return. You are NOT required to study over track out, but I know many of you would like to study with your child, so it's coming home early.

When we return in November we'll be in room 604. We'll be celebrating Veterans Day on Thursday the 12th and we're looking forward to our Take A Veteran to School Day! Please contact me if you have family or friends that are veterans!

If you'd like to help me track out of room 607 (or you'd like your child to help) please let me know! We'll be getting started on Thursday at 4:00 and will be done by 5:00. The more help, the faster we can do it!

Starting Monday, the children will start bringing home items from their desks. Please make sure these things come back in November!

Have a frog-tastic week and a toadally awesome track out!!


Mrs. Walker

SOCIAL STUDIES NEWS

This week we'll be starting Unit 4 (American Indians Today). We'll learn about the Lumbee, the Cherokee, and then we'll learn about immigration, NC's diverse population, and we'll finish our unit by learning about customs/traditions, and NC pastimes!


We'll take the second states and capitals/map identification tests this week!!


 LANGUAGE ARTS
NEWS


 READING

When we return in November, the class will be working on a biography report. They'll be taking all the skills/strategies that we've been learning about in our focus lessons, and they'll write a report. The rubric for this will be coming home in November.


This week we'll continue our focus of objective 2.024 and we'll learn more about using text to locate specific information, scanning text, looking at headings, and how to determine fact from opinion while reading.


 WRITING

This week we'll take the first On-Demand writing task. This will be a prompt (not sure if it'll be a personal or fictional narrative).

We're still working on typing our stories that we wrote with Mr. Krawiec (Writer in Residence), and then we're going to make a Movie Maker Project with this writing.

Many of the kids have written a podcast book review and they're posted to the website. Be sure to check them out! I think they're frog-tastic!!


 W.W.W.

Our focus this week is on contractions. We'll be taking our weekly skills test and Cloze review on Thursday this week.


 SPELLING
WORDS

Baby Grass Natural
Ocean Government


 MATH
NEWS

This week we're going to be learning about subtracting and how to "ungroup." We'll practice subtracting with zeros, and then we'll take the Blue Diamond on Tuesday. We'll subtract thousands and larger numbers on Wednesday, and then Thursday we'll take the Unit 3 test. On Friday, we'll spend our entire math block playing math games. It should be a lot of fun and a great way to end the unit!


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 MORNING
WORK


 MONDAY

"Legislative Branch" NC General Assembly


 TUESDAY

"On the Road Again" NC Interstates


 WEDNESDAY

"Important Crop" Tobacco


 THURSDAY

"American Idol" Clay Aiken


 FRIDAY

"It Happened When?" NC Historical Events



Matthew was able to complete one of the Impossible Puzzles! Way to go Matthew!


 SPECIALS
INFORMATION

Monday- P.E.2

Tuesday- Art

Wednesday- Media

Thursday- Computer Lab with Mrs. Smith

Friday- P.E.1


 COMING
EVENTS

Tuesday 10/13/09- On Demand Writing Task (Tracks 1 and 3 ONLY)

NO HOMEWORK CLUB THIS WEEK!

Thursday 10/15/09- Help Mrs. Walker Track Out of Room 607!! 4:00-5:00

Friday 10/16/09- Track Out Day!! Track Out Ceremony 2:15 in MPR

Monday 11/9/09- Track In Day! We'll be in Room 604 Don't forget to bring back everything that you took home!!

Wednesday 11/11/09- Veteran's Day- NO SCHOOL

Thursday 11/12/09- Take A Veteran to School Day!! We'll be celebrating from 2:15-3:30!

Tuesday 11/17/09- McTeacher Night at Mill Pond McDonald's (5:30-8:00)

Content Area Writing Task 1 (Tracks 1 and 3 ONLY)

Picture Make Up Day (Track 3 Only)!!

Thursday 11/19/09- Field Trip to NC History Museum to see Pirates exhibit and then lunch at Kids Together Park (\$3.50)

*Permission Slips will come home when we return in November!