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HOMework

MONDAY

Math: HW p. 69 and Remembering p. 70

Spelling: Take Home Task 6

TUESDAY

None!—NO HOMEWORK CLUB TODAY!!!

WEDNESDAY

None!

THURSDAY

Math: Homework p. 73 and Remembering p. 74

WISH LIST

- Bean-Bag Filler (We now have two additional bean bags for reading time!)
- The remainder of our Donors Choose grant to be funded! We only have \$45 more to go and the games will be delivered!! Email me for more information!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

What a weekend! I hope everyone had a restful weekend! I went to the Kenny Chesney concert Sunday night and had a blast! I am excited about the cooler weather that's expected for Monday and Tuesday. I know it's only two days, but I'll take what I can get!!

On Monday, the NC State Symbols Projects are due and I cannot wait to see how creative the kids were! This is the first time that I've assigned this project, so any feedback you can give would be welcomed! Do you feel that there was enough time? Was the rubric helpful? Did you need use the Bb projects page? If so, did you find the links to be helpful for your child?

The Progress Reports/Interims are coming home Monday. I'll be sending them home as a paper copy. If you'd prefer that I email it to you as an attachment, please let me know and I can do that.

I can't believe that we're going into September already! Where did August go?? Just a reminder that this Wednesday is another Early Release Day! The first bell is at 1:10.

:) Mrs. Walker

SCIENCE NEWS


Last week we started our Magnetism and Electricity unit and the class absolutely LOVED it!!

This week we'll be creating series circuits and parallel circuits. At the end of the week, we'll be completing something called, "Solving the String of Lights Problem." Anyone who's hung lights will appreciate this lab!!




Working to get their light bulb to light!!


 LANGUAGE ARTS
NEWS



 READING

This week we're still working on objective 2.01 (Metacognition). We've been learning about the different strategies that good readers use when encountering difficult text. This week we'll learn about paraphrasing, painting a picture in your head, and then we'll practice these strategies together and do the performance assessment on Thursday.


 WRITING

We are still working on our writing from last week. I introduced the Writing Process cards and was excited to see everyone using them.

This week, we'll begin reviewing the five features (Focus, Organization, Support & Elaboration, Style, and Conventions) of writing and we'll start our Personal Narratives Unit.


 W.W.W.

Monday we'll do our word preview, and then we'll do our skills/proofreading test Thursday and take the Cloze Review on Friday.


 SPELLING
WORDS

Hair Mountain
Wood Caught
Bird


 MATH
NEWS


This week we'll begin looking at Factors and Multiples (objective 1.02c). We'll also look at even numbers and odd numbers, more graphing, and then on Wednesday we'll take the Unit 1 math assessment from the book. This is different from the Blue Diamond. On Thursday, we'll begin Unit 2 and start learning about geometrical concepts such as congruence and symmetry. Friday


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 MORNING
WORK


 MONDAY


"Power Play" - Levels of government


 TUESDAY

"Weather or Not?" Seasons


 WEDNESDAY

"New Arrival" - Virginia Dare


 THURSDAY

"Purely Presidential" - A. Jackson


 FRIDAY

"My State, My Way" - Acronym


 SPECIALS
INFORMATION

This week we'll be going to the computer lab in place of art on Tuesday. We'll continue to review how to add imgs to various documents and how to save to folders. Last week was a great introduction, but we need to keep practicing.

Don't forget to send a recorder for your child to use in music on Thursday!!


 COMING
EVENTS

8/31/09 - Book Orders Due 9am-10am
and NC State Symbols
Project Due!

9/1/09 - No Homework =
No Homework Club!

9/2/09 - Early Release
Day (1st Bell @ 1:10)

9/3/09 - NC Cookie Pro-
ject Shaping and Baking

9/4/09 - NC Cookie Pro-
ject Decorating and Eat-
ing!! 9am-10am

**No Ecology Club this
Thursday!!**

*Progress Reports and
Interims coming home
Monday, 8/31/09**