

Ms. Chelsee's Message in a Bottle

(from the "non-shipwrecked" S.S. Gr 2)

September 11th, 2015



Anchors Aweigh!

Hook, line and sinker!!!!!! We have made it through another week at sea!!!!

Super Job 2nd Grade Surfin' Sea Lions! (...the fish, the shark and all other friends under the sea!)

**If you didn't guess... our class-voted theme is mentioned above!!



Treasured Dates:

September 17th:

Cooking with the Chow Chef @ 12:45pm & Reading-- Parent Involvement Night:

Rev up your Reading, Spelling, and Phonics Skills at the Parent Night - Thursday September 17th at 6:00 p.m. Snacks and refreshments will be served at 5:45. **I will also be showing you the process of "marking our words" and discussing more in depth about our reading curriculum for this year. Hope to see you there! (See fluorescent green sheet which went home last week for more details!)

September 29th

Progress Reports go home!

October 1st:

PICTURE DAY ☺



"Hit the Deck" Homework:

The students are adjusting very well to their homework routines. As the year progresses, it will become quite a "memorized" routine... In due time!

A couple changes made to the "Nautical HW Loxodograph":

Spelling (High Seas Spelling Sheet--- with clouds) :

It now states only 2 assignments need to be chosen from the sheet weekly; as I added a pre-test on Thursday Evening (to be given by Guardians/ After Care and written in the composition book.)

Keyboard/Computer:

I have included a paper keyboard on the back of the High Seas Spelling Sheet. This should always stay in the folder and can be initialed on the Nautical HW Loxodograph once done. **If your kiddo choses to print it out or send their computer/keyboard work via email--- that is "A-Ok" with me!

Summaries:

For the next couple weeks, the summaries will be in the form of a graphic organizer called 4 Square. I will include an example of what each "square" should include so each kiddo can get accustomed to the way their "first paragraph of their summaries" should look like.

*Paragraphs are always at least 5 sentences...



Tip of the Iceberg:

Have your child help pack their snack &/or lunch! Try relating it to what we are doing in school...i.e "regular 'ole trail mix can be renamed, "Surfin' Sea Lion Snack Mix!" The snacks/lunches your children eat help fuel their bodies to play, learn, and grow!



Mighty Seas "Math Homework:

We are all set to have our first Math test this coming Friday...

Please review the Math Vocab Cards (which should be kept in your dolphin's zipper pouch in his/her Purple HW Folder), as vocabulary will be part of the math test. We have been using the beginning of this chapter to develop good habits on our math work (taking your

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time, showing your work, etc.) as well as reviewing some addition and subtraction strategies. ***As we progress in math, it is important to let me know if your child has difficulty with any of the homework so I can review with them the following day in class.



Waving Flippers & Fins!!!

THANKS TO ALL PHENOMENAL PARENTS & STUDENTS who so promptly returned the myriad of paperwork that was sent home over the course of the first couple weeks! If you have not returned all of the papers yet, please do so as soon as possible. "Thanks a Yum" for sending nutritious snacks and a fresh water bottle every day. **The children are really enjoying their delicious snacks! Please send utensils if your children's snack requires it! ☺

Also a big "Crew Hullabaloo" goes to: The "Chow Chef" for discovering a delicious Vegan Recipe for Pi Night; Tuesday's "Deep Sea Fisher-people" who helped our school of fish with gardening, carrot-ology, math, and reading; the "Sanitizing Sea Urchins" for our weekly classroom and yoga mat cleansing; and the "Fun Friday Voyagers" who conducted scientific research and discovered projects to partake in!!!



Please ask your matey about this week's "Posh Port Holes" :

- *Mr. Horwitz leads Yoga! Hooorrrraayyy!!!
- *Difference between seals and "surfing Sea Lions"
- *Summary practice with 4 Square
- *Waking up those lazy math numbers... and standing them up!
- *Playing in the dirt! (Gardening)
- *Learning through "carrot-ology"
- *Word of the Week: Conscientious

"Deck Swabbin' Spelling List"

(Closed syllable, cvc, short o and u sound)

topple

umbrella

monster

lobster supper

disrupt

subject

forgot

contract

subtract