

The Trujillo Times  
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**The Week:** This week we continued working on our estimation skills, only applied what we knew about addition to subtraction. We will be testing on chapters 2 and 3 combined either Monday or Tuesday of next week. In Language Arts we learned about how important it is to ask questions to better understand the story/text you are reading. We also applied this concept to a print of a wedding that I have. I posted the picture and an explanation to Seesaw so please take a look at this when you get a chance. Also be sure to ask your children about the activity because we had a lot of fun with it! ☺  
We took our FAIR tests this week as well (for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade they are on the computer). In Art, Ms. Katje began teaching the children how to create line designs.

**Word of the Week:** Diligence. Having the determination to complete a task or goal. Never giving up. We talked about being diligent in our efforts as stupendous students in morning meeting so please take the time to discuss this very important quality with your children over the weekend.

**Tip of the Week:** Try reading a book with your children in a new and unusual setting. I polled the class for suggestions and this is what I got. WARNING! Some of them are a bit silly!  
A sunlit, bean bag filled room with lots of pillows. At Ms. Trujillo's house. On top of a septic tank. While sitting on the toilet. In a bath tub filled with bubbles. On top of a washing machine. In a dog kennel. On the roof of your house. In the grocery store. Laying on a dog. Sitting on a horse. Laying on your brother's back. On top of a humpback whale.

**Reminders:**

→Please continue to look over your child's homework each night, even if he or she completed it in afterschool. It is important that you know exactly what is being learned about in school each day.

→In your child's folder is an orange Math Fact Practice Log. This log counts as HW credit and is to be completed by **October 29**. You should take a couple of minutes each day to review the basic facts of addition and subtraction. We will be starting multiplication soon and I need each child to be able to recall these facts quickly and accurately. Acceptable activities for this log are: flash card practice, timed drills (not the ones I send home for homework), computer games, Apps (2048 is a good one for multiplication), etc.

→Pumpkin Day is fast approaching. We will be holding this festival on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. Please send an average size pumpkin to school with your child on that day.

→Picture retake day will be on **Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**. Class picture order forms and individual order forms went home recently. Please return those as soon as possible if you plan on ordering pictures.

**Trivia Question:** Answer the following question for **10 credits!!!** Write your answer somewhere on this newsletter. Your parents may (and are encouraged) to help you.

“What is the name of the whirlpool in the Lofoten Islands of Norway?”

Spelling List (r-controlled vowel *ar* and *or*)

antarctic	alligator	argument	abnormal	afford
armadillo	artery	Angora	apartment	ancestor

This section is for you! Feel free to write any questions, comments, or concerns you may have. **Please sign and return!**

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