

Matts Menu
October 12th – 16th, 2015

***Marking words-** At this time, students should be able to begin marking their words on their own. We have been practicing for about 30 days now, and I have seen vast improvement with this in class. Have your children try and mark their homework assignments without the cards and then go over them together to see how they did.

****Picture Retake day-** Picture retake day will be Monday, November 2nd. ☺

*****Literature Circles-** Literature circles will be started Monday. Please see the information sheet that is coming home today. Please be sure to sign and return the sheet so your children can begin literature circles on Monday. If you need any clarification on literature circles, please do not hesitate to ask.

******Mark your calendars:**

Pumpkin Day- Thursday October 29th

No School – Friday October 30th

*******Box Tops-** Our first Box Top goal of the year will conclude on Friday, October 23rd. Be sure to keep bringing in those Box Tops!!

*******Math Facts** – Please continue to help your children practice his/her basic math facts on a regular basis. The best way for children to memorize these facts quickly is to work with flashcards. You might make a game of it to see if they can beat the number correct in one minute each time they practice. **We will be working on this at school also, but we are quickly moving into double-digit multiplication, factors, long division, etc and it would be extremely helpful if they had the facts memorized, as opposed to counting on their fingers.** Thanks for your help!

*******School Days** – Please be sure to ask your children about the following activities from this past week: completing chapter 3 in math, completing chapter 2 in science and presenting our fantastic group projects, completing our Antarctic Journal unit in reading, reading centers, math centers, our word of the week – diligence, and what is going on in PE, Art, and Morning Meeting.

*******Tip of the week-** Have your children help pack their lunch. The lunches your children eat help fuel their bodies to play, learn, and grow.

Spelling List

Review

(Open Syllable – cv/ long vowel sound – sound says its name)

popular momentum slogan calculate coagulate

microwave leotard migration illusion occupy

****This section is for you! Please feel free to write any questions/comments/concerns you may have for me in this space. Please sign and return so I'll know you have read this newsletter.**

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