



Mrs. Thomas's Class
Classroom Newsletter
August 23, 2019



Dates to Remember

8/24 – HLA Garden Day
(8-12)

8/26 – Gardening Starts

8/28 – Spanish Starts

8/30 – Labor Day Guest
Speakers

9/2 Labor Day – No
School

9/13 – Scholastic Book
Order Due

Purple Folders

Please remember to check your child's folder EVERY night. ALL papers sent home will be placed on the RIGHT side of the folder (except math homework). Anything that needs to be returned to me, place in the LEFT side of the folder. Please keep everything else at home.



We will NOT start spelling and spelling homework until the week of Monday, September 9th.



Classroom News

This week in class we wrapped up the beginning of the year testing and will start a regular classroom schedule next week consisting of Math, Science, Reading/ELA, Writing, Science, Social Studies, Gardening, & Spanish. Students have already started P.E., Art, & Yoga.

A reading log is attached & a new one will be sent home every Friday. Students are required to read to you 5-7 minutes 3 days a week (even though the reading log has 5 days on it). It is due every Friday. This should give plenty of flexibility with extra curricular activities. Please make sure your child is reading a book that is on his/her level. If he/she misses more than 3 words on any given page, it is too hard for them. If you do not have books at home, please let me know. Reading homework might be increased after the 1st nine weeks. Please fill out your child's reading log; your child doesn't need to do it at this time. Each day read is worth 33%. 10% will be deducted for late assignments unless accompanied by an excused absence.



Wow! Responsibility





Garden Day

Please join us tomorrow, 8/24 to help clean up the grounds around the school. Everyone's help is needed for this big project.

Gardening Class

Please send in an empty plastic water bottle for Monday, 8/26. Students are making rain gauges for their first garden lesson. If you have extra, please send them as well.



What We're Learning Next Week

Reading: Main Idea & Detail; Summarizing

Phonics: Review

Handwriting: Different Patterns; Vertical Lines

Math: Addition Strategies

Science: Introduction to Science

Social Studies: Kindness; My School, My Community

P.E.: Cooperative Group Games/Underhand Throwing

Art: Mixing Colors

Gardening: Rain Gauges; Indoor Plants




Scholastic Book Order

Our first Scholastic Book order will go home on Tuesday, September 3rd. Orders are due online by Friday, September 13th.

Homework Pass

Every child will receive (2) homework passes every 9 weeks. Homework passes may be used for any assignment EXCEPT for test reviews (usually only in math). Please keep at home & use as needed.



Math Homework

Math homework will start next week & will go home Monday – Thursday. It will consist of one page (front & back) and will cover concepts that we learned in class that day. It will be stapled to your child's class work that he/she completed that day. Math homework is due the next day. It will be located in your child's purple folder on the LEFT side. Please have your child complete it on his/her own, but please check for accuracy. Place the completed homework back in the folder on the LEFT side to be turned in. Once I look it over, I will * it on the top, right side to let you know I saw it. You can then recycle it. Each assignment is worth 25% . 10% will be deducted for late assignments unless accompanied with an excused absence.

