



Mrs. Thomas's Class
Classroom Newsletter
September 27, 2019



Dates to Remember

- 9/27 – Write Index Cards at Home
- 9/30 – Class Picture & Retakes
- 10/4 – No School (UF Homecoming)
- 10/14 – End of First Nine Weeks
- 10/17 Butter Braid Fundraiser Ends
- 10/18 – No School (Teacher Workday)
- 10/24 – Report Cards Go Home
- 10/30 – Butter Braid Delivery!
- 10/31 – Pumpkin Day & Class Party

Class Pictures/Retakes

Don't forget, we'll take our class picture & any retakes on Monday, 9/30.

Classroom News

We had an amazing time at the fire station on Tuesday! The kids (and teachers) were exhausted afterwards. Thank you Mr. Winningham!

Students will write their spelling words on index cards at home from now on. The index cards are due every Monday & are worth 34% of their spelling homework grade. I will send home the index cards every Friday which should be located in your child's pencil pouch, however, if I forget, you should have a package of index cards at home that were purchased at the beginning of the school year. If your child isn't in attendance on Friday, please use the index cards that you have at home as the cards are still due on Monday. If your child is absent on Monday, please have him/her bring in their cards on Tuesday. I try to make this activity a 'no excuse' activity.

Our one minute timed fluency goal for addition in math for October is 3 correct for 100%. Our reading goal is 17 words per minute. Both activities will be graded. Math fluencies are done on a weekly basis and reading fluencies are done once a month; both are counted as a quiz grade.



WOW - perseverance



What We're Learning Next Week

Spelling Words

Focus: short /o/

1. hot
2. top
3. box
4. frog
5. pond

Reading: Sequence of Events

Phonics: short /o/

Hand Writing: Numbers

Math: Subtraction Strategies

Science: Living Things

Social Studies: My School, My Community

Art: Oil Pastel

Fundraisers

Hopefully you heard that HLA is having a big fundraiser! We are trying to raise \$5K for a basketball court. There are going to be 3 different fundraisers to reach our goal. Our first fundraiser is a Go Fund Me account. You can go to HLA's Facebook page to donate. Our second fundraiser is Butter Braids which is a delicious pastry just in time for the holidays! Every Butter Braid that is sold, HLA keep \$5.50! Sales brochures went home yesterday or today. These are delicious so don't miss out! Our third fundraiser will be themed baskets. 1st grade will have one boy basket & one girl basket (ages 5 – 8 for both baskets). Our themes are Lego's and Unicorns. HLA will have a silent auction during an upcoming parent night for the baskets. To get the basket started, I have donated Unicorn slippers and a Lego Sky Police Jet kit.

Fall Party 10/31

Our fall class party will be held on Thursday, October 31st in the afternoon from 12:45 – 1:45. Sign Up Genius is set up for volunteers as well as donations for the party!

Parent Conferences

Just a heads up that 1st grade parent conferences will be held on Tuesday, November 5th.

Conferences are held during the school day. I will put out a sign up sheet in about 2 weeks.