

Fourth Grade Newsletter

Nov. 16th - Nov. 20th



Dear Parents,

Please remember to continually view your child's grades on HAC. If you need the information again on how to access the system please contact the main office.

We are beginning to run out of some essential items that are needed. If you are able to donate some please do:

Tissues, Sanitizer, Pencils

Just a reminder that students have a science project due on Wednesday, November 18th. Please use the website below to help them with their animals. There is no restriction on the format, but it should be neat, and be their best final product (no pencil).

Also, you will see some information coming home to help with fractions. Please be sure to read over it, practice and play any games that may be there.

Have a great week!

Curriculum Corner

- **Math:** Students will continue to review comparing and ordering fractions. Also they will be using manipulatives and models to begin to decompose/compose fractions to understand addition and subtraction of fractions as joining and separating parts referring to the same whole.
- **Science:** Students are focusing on the biomes that animals live in and how animals adapt to the environment and what adaptations (a body part/covering or behavior) animals have to help them survive in their habitat.
- **Social Studies:** We continue our unit on Early Native Americans. We will look at family roles and responsibilities in a Woodland tribe.
- **ELA:** This week students will be introduced to a type of figurative language called "idioms". An idiom does not say what it means. "It is raining cats and dogs" is an example of an idiom. We will also be taking our Task1 Reading Assessment this week. Please encourage your child to do his/her best. There are no study materials for this test.

Homework Hotline

In Math, the "Target Grid" will be due Nov. 20st.

Fluency practice: This week they are to study the facts listed on their sheet. Please make sure you sign each night they practiced.

ELA: A new list was attached to the planner last week. Grid will be due and Tests will be Fri. Nov.20th. Please continue to look at the list and review each day.

"We are not what we know but what we are willing to learn."
– Mary Catherine Bateson

Special Happenings

Nov. 25-27th – No School/Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 20th – Parent Visitation

Wonderful Websites

http://www.mathplayground.com/ASB_TugTeamFractions.html (Comparing Fractions)

<http://www.chesapeakebay.net/fieldguide> (use to help you with your science project.)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FQ-B22O9qcA>(use to help with decomposing fractions)