

Reading**By a student author soon**

Our routines are being established and being put into place. Spelling and spelling tests will start officially next week. Please look in planners to find the spelling words, spelling pattern, vocabulary and story information stapled in. Spelling tests will be on Tuesdays (this Tuesday, 9-11, will be a practice). We will discuss and practice the pattern in class, but word practice is the student's responsibility. Each student is expected to do all 15 regular words and *may choose* to do the challenge words for extra credit. This week we talked about sequencing with the story What About Me?.

Science/Social Studies**By a student author soon**

Science and Social Studies rotations will be starting next week. In science the students will focus on life science, specifically plant and animal growth, reproduction, categories, and life cycles. A focus for physical science is force and motion. In Earth science students focus on layers of earth. Location, directions, and our community are some of the focuses students will have for social studies.

Writing**By a student author soon**

Students have enjoyed getting started on narrative writing. Our current project, 'where my feet and I have been', is helping students to recall special moments that they have from the past year. These moments will be our narrative story seeds as we continue to work this quarter. Students are enjoying using their journals as they begin to get comfortable with the idea of writing for any reason, not just when our teacher tells us to. Remember to go to the k-5 launchpad and find typing agent. Any extra practice is appreciated and will pay off in the long run.

Specials**By Mrs. Harris**

→ IMC with Miss Hake and Mrs. Greene. Students are reviewing the procedures in the library. They are making good choices when checking out books. Books are used daily for DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) time in the classroom.

Upcoming Dates

-Mon, Sept 10- PV Culver's Night

-Fri, Sept 14- PV FUN FAIR from 5-7 Please contact PTO as soon as possible if you are able to volunteer.

Math**By a student author soon**

Math rotations have started! Students should be keeping their student reference book at their math classroom and Home Links book at the place where they do their homework. Unit one covers a wide variety of topics and is a general review of many skills with some introduction of new skills. Be prepared for a Unit 1 review packet and math test some time next week. Hot pencils will be starting soon. Practice facts nightly. Help your child see the importance of math by talking about how you use math on a daily basis. If you can, have them help you with the math you do.

Teacher Tidbits

- It was wonderful to see so many of you at the 3rd Grade Parent Night. If you were not able to make it, the information packet given out has been sent home.
- Thank you for the start of a great year. It is an honor to have the opportunity to share your greatest treasure.
- Keep up with those math fact and reading minutes. The practice will pay off and make a difference.