

Johanson Newsletter #5

September 30, 2018

Language Arts Skills

This week we are reviewing Unit 1 Skills. We have now completed 5 stories in our curriculum and will be checking for mastery this week. Since it is a review week, your child will **not** have spelling words this week. Spelling for next week will be put in student planners later this week.

Read Works

This week students have become familiarized with "Read Works" passages. As part of our **Morning Routine**, students enter the classroom and complete a variety of tasks to get their day started. Along with grammar practice, sentence structure, vocabulary, and analogies,... I have now added **Read Works**. Students work on reading articles that build comprehension through the use of academic vocabulary and higher level questioning skills. Many students are fluent readers and have a vast vocabulary based on all of the reading they've done. **As maturing students, they are asked to make inferences, form opinions, and analyze details of text by using evidence from what they've read.** Read Works helps to build/strengthen these higher level thinking skills.

These skills are critical for mastery of third grade reading and writing standards.

The goal is to master 2-3 articles a week during our morning work time (7:55-8:10).

Parent Teacher Conferences

Conferences are quickly approaching! Watch for information coming via email tomorrow (Monday 7:00AM). Please note which day works for you, and sign up for that time slot. You will get an email confirmation for your chosen time, and a reminder a few days before our meeting. If you have any questions, please email me and I'm happy to assist you.

Here's what it will look like :



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Dear Prairie Vista Families,

All elementary schools in our corporation will be conducting Parent-Teacher-Student conferences on Tuesday, October 23, and Wednesday, October 24. I will be adding a few extra time slots on Monday, October 22 to help accommodate busy schedules.

Date (mm/dd/yyyy EDT)	Available Slot	Calendar View
10/22/2018 (Mon. 2:40pm - 5:00pm)	2:40 P.M.	Sign Up
	3:00 P.M.	Sign Up
	3:20 P.M.	Sign Up
	3:40 P.M.	Sign Up
	4:00 P.M.	Sign Up
10/23/2018 (Tue. 2:40pm - 7:00pm)	2:40 P.M.	Sign Up
	3:00 P.M.	Sign Up
	3:20 P.M.	Sign Up
	3:40 P.M.	Sign Up
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Writing Skills

Currently we are working on Narrative writing, which relates to true stories about events from our lives. We're in the process of generated a few short pieces of writing in our notebooks. We will focus on completion of our personal narratives in the next 3 weeks.

Math Skills

All classes have now completed their Unit 1 math assessments. As we move forward in our math curriculum, it is imperative for students to know their math facts. Please make sure that your child is taking part in the generated practice within their math classroom. Many classrooms are using Xtramath.com This is a fabulous program that students can work on from both school and at home.

With our new ILearn Assessment (late April), students will be asked to solve multi-step problems online (in the past, this was all done with paper and pencil).

To prepare students, we have developed online practice that we will be completing in class with each instructional unit.

Last week, we modeled problem solving skills alongside students so that they knew how to correctly complete the given task. Please view the problem we worked on together.

Problems will focus on Unit Content Mastery along with Indiana State Standards. Problems usually contain 3+ tasks that need to be worked through by the student. Using problem solving strategies, giving details in answers, and being able to write equations are all critical.

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Unit 2 Performance Task/Open Response Practice 1 Part 1

A Backyard Cookout

Jose and his family are having a cookout in their backyard. They are expecting 23 people, and each person will eat 2 hot dogs. How many hot dog buns will the family need buy to feed everyone?

Show all of your work. Write an equation and explain how you solved the problem.

How many hot dog buns will the family need to buy to feed everyone? *

Long answer text

Practice 1 Part 2 *

Hot dog buns come 5 in a package. Will 6 packages of hot dog buns be enough?
Show all work with an equation and explain why or why not.

Long answer text

Question

Long answer text

Important Upcoming Dates:

10/1 --Parent Teacher Conferences
Online Signup Genius
10/17 -- End of 1st Grading Period
10/22-24--Parent Teacher Conf.
10/25 --Fall Celebrations 1:30-2:10
10/26-10/29--Fall Break, No School

Wishing you a great week ahead!
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