

Fourth Grade News

November 5-19, 2010

Bi-Monthly Publication

Diving Into Learning



Reading:

Over the next few weeks, readers will be focusing on nonfiction literature. We will become experts at reading and using **text features** in nonfiction selections.

Please help your child study the text features flashcards nightly to master the understanding of these vocabulary words. 😊

Writing:

This week all students will be publishing their first book in class. Many students want to type at home, which is totally optional. The typing can count for the 20 minutes of reading and/or writing for that night. We will also be enjoying another Cynthia Rylant book, In November, to help reinforce figurative language, word choices, and using our senses when writing a **description**. *Ask your child to tell you about his/her favorite month.*

Math:

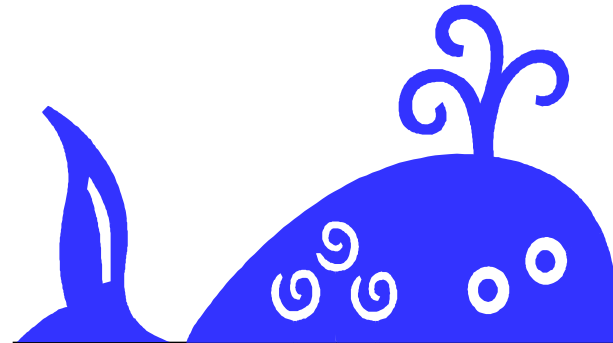
This week, please review with your child worksheets from Ch. 1-3 to prepare for their upcoming test. Also nightly review of their multiplication is so important! As we continue critical thinking when solving word problems, we practice **visualizing** word problems and **identifying clue words** for solving real-world applications. *Ask your child what clue words tell him/her to add, subtract, multiply, and divide. Encourage him/her to write word problems to stump Mrs. Coats! 😊*

Science/Social Studies:

Over the next few weeks, we will be studying geographic locations using maps to learn about our world. *Study a map with your child. Have them find the title and explain how the key (legend) is so helpful when reading a map.*

Ocean of Events

- Nov. 8 - Math Parent Night 7-8:00 pm
- Nov. 8 - Book Orders Due ☺
- Nov. 9 - Science Vocabulary Test
- Nov. 10- Math Test (Chapt.1-3)
- Nov. 11- No School (Veterans Day)
- Nov. 12- Writers Notebooks graded
- Nov. 13- Fall Festival/ Book Fair starts



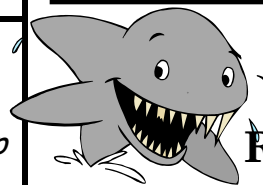
It's A Whale of a Website!

www.funbrain.com

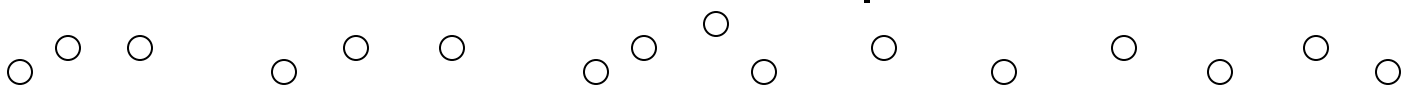
(play games to practice multiplication)

www.scholasticbooks.com

(use Book Wizard for just right books)



Respect +
Responsibility =
Sigsbee
Pride



Fishin' For Weekly Words



Reading Vocabulary List

(Nonfiction Unit: Text Features)

photographs
illustrations
tables
charts
captions
maps
timeline
chapter titles
subtitles
index
glossary
highlighted words

Math Vocabulary

(Chapter 4)

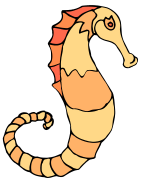
Distributive Property
estimate
round
factor
partial product
expanded form

Science/Social Studies

(Map Unit)

scale
longitude
latitude
compass rose
cardinal directions
legend
weather
climate
water cycle
atmosphere

From the Teachers:



Thank you parents for donating items for our Fall Festival Baskets! We appreciate everything you do to help to make Sigsbee Charter the best school it can be! We have very supportive parents!