

Business with Buehrer

For the week of March 22, 2010

Reading

We will read a story called More Than Anything Else from our reading book. Author's purpose and fact/opinion are the skills associated with this story. Your child will bring home his/her reading textbook on Monday. Please have your son/daughter reread More Than Anything Else on Monday and review the vocabulary words at the beginning of the story.

Spelling

A new four-week list of spelling words was included with the newsletter two weeks ago. Please study these words in preparation for the spelling test on Thursday, March 25. We will work on various spelling skills, including editing. The students are responsible for alphabetizing their spelling words each week in their assignment notebook by Thursday for homework.

Writing/Language

We will continue to review proper nouns. We will also learn about homophones and how to use commas appropriately in sentences.

Cursive Writing

This week, we will continue to practice cursive writing skills by writing sentences and paragraphs in cursive. We will begin to use cursive writing more and more in our daily assignments and tests. Please remind your child to be neat.

Math

We will continue to review multiplication and division facts (0-5). Please practice multiplication and division facts (0-5) at home with your child on a daily basis to help your son/daughter show mastery of these facts.

We will also conclude our unit entitled "Fractions and Decimals." We will add and subtract decimals and problem solve with decimals. We will also review the concept of fractions and decimals throughout the week and test on Thursday. Please

see the attached fractions/decimals test notice.

We will continue to review for the math portion of the OAA on a daily basis.

Science

We will continue our unit entitled "Rocks and Minerals" and learn about crystals.

Social Studies

We will begin a new chapter entitled "Government." This week, we will learn about the structure of our government.

Other Business

The AR book list can be found at www.arbookfind.com. Your child needs to bring his/her AR book to school each day, especially on his/her designated day. Please remember that all students are required to individually complete at least two AR tests each month, in addition to the tests that we take for reading textbook selection stories.

We are reviewing and preparing daily for the upcoming OAA (April 20, 22). You can help your child prepare for this important test by reviewing practice exercises as they come home. You can also assist your child by having him or her review previous 3rd grade math and reading tests that can be found at <http://ohio3-8.success-ode-state-oh-us.info/>. Please follow the simple instructions on the website to access the previous tests, and feel free to contact me with any questions.

We were extremely busy last week with the music program. Therefore, we are doing some catch-up this week and finishing some topics and assignments from last week.

This week is Right to Read week. Please refer to the green sheet that came home for details.