

Business with Buehrer

For the week of April 12, 2010

Reading

We will review several reading concepts and strategies for the upcoming Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA). We will also practice various test-taking strategies and complete practice test exercises. Please review this material with your child when it comes home. Reminder: Please refer to the pink sheet of paper that was sent home concerning the OAA. Parent homework for the OAA is due to me ASAP.

Spelling

We will have a review spelling list this week. The list of spelling words for review is included on the reverse side of this newsletter. Please study these words in preparation for the spelling test on Friday, April 16. We will work on various spelling skills, including editing. The students are not required to alphabetize spelling words this week.

Writing/Language

We will learn about the pronouns I and me. We will continue to learn about verbs. This week, we will concentrate on past-tense verbs and agreement between pronouns and verbs.

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 continue our unit entitled "Time and Measurement." We will work on telling time to the minute, as well as elapsed time. We will measure length, capacity, weight, and temperature. All of

these measurement standards are important concepts for the math portion of the OAA. We will continue to review for the OAA on a daily basis and complete practice test exercises.

We will begin to learn multiplication facts 6-9 and learn various tricks to help us commit these facts to memory. We will also learn about graphing with ordered pairs.

Social Studies

We will continue our chapter entitled "Government." This week, we will learn about state and national governments, symbols of our nation, and governments of the world.

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.

Grade cards were sent home March 25. Please contact me if you have any questions concerning your child's grade card and academic progress.

We are reviewing and preparing daily for the upcoming OAA (April 20, 22). Please avoid scheduling appointments during these two days. 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.