

Business with Buehrer

For the week of March 8, 2010

Reading

We have reached the conclusion of Unit 4 in our reading textbook. Therefore, we will not start a new story this week. Instead, we will complete the Unit 4 Assessment that tests various reading skills that we have been working on in the classroom. This assessment will be taken over the course of three days. Please review this test with your child when it comes home, as it will help your child become more familiar and comfortable with the testing process. This test is also good practice for the Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA), which we will take again later in the spring. We will also work with Weekly Readers and review various reading skills.

Spelling

A new four-week list of spelling words is included on the reverse side of this newsletter. Please study these words in preparation for the spelling test on Friday, March 12. 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 learn about pronouns. This week, we will learn about subject and object pronouns. These are words that take the place of nouns in sentences. We will also review previous language skills this week.

Cursive Writing

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

Math

We will continue to review multiplication facts (0-5). Please practice multiplication facts (0-5) at

home with your child on a daily basis to help your son/daughter show mastery of multiplication facts.

We will also continue our unit entitled "Fractions and Decimals." We will problem solve with fractions and review the concept of fractions. We will also learn about the concept of decimals and establish the connection between fractions and decimals. This week, we will learn how to write and express decimals to the tenths and hundredths place. We will also review for the math portion of the OAA on a daily basis.

We will also continue to explore the concept of division. This week, we will relate division to multiplication and work on division facts (2-5). Please practice division facts at home with your child on a daily basis.

Science

We will continue our unit entitled "Rocks and Minerals." This week, we will complete a scratch test investigation.

Social Studies

We will continue our chapter entitled "Citizenship." This week, we will learn about how to be a good citizen. We will review the concept of citizenship and the various rights and duties that are associated with citizenship.

Other Business

Reminder: Remember to check your child's Assignment Notebook on a daily basis.

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.