

Mrs. Hall's Newsletter

September 3, 2019

Specials

9/2 – No School
9/3 – Character Education
9/4 – Media (library books!)
9/5 – Technology
9/6 – PE (tennis shoes!)

9/9 – Art
9/10 – Music
9/11 – Science
9/12 – Character Education
9/13 – Media (library books!)



What We Are Learning

Reading: Students will focus on nonfiction texts during the next couple of weeks. We will introduce finding the main idea and key details of a *nonfiction* text (RI1.2). We will practice asking and answering questions about the books we read (RI1.1). Students will practice reading fluently using different reading and comprehension strategies. We will use context clues to figure out words and meanings in the text.

Writing: Students continue to work on writing personal narratives. We will learn to start with a catchy introduction, provide **details** for a "small moment" in sequential order (using our sequence words!), and bringing our narrative together with some form of closure (W1.3). We are especially focusing on **complete sentences, uppercase vs. lowercase letters, and punctuation.**

Math: Students will learn various addition and subtraction strategies with numbers from 0-20 (OA1.6). These include counting on, composing and decomposing numbers within ten (making a ten – using ten frames), using a number line, and making simpler sums. We will discuss mathematical symbols (+, -, =) and the word *equation*. Students will begin using these strategies to solve word problems (OA1.1).

Social Studies: Students will continue to study force, balance, and motion. We will study how forces (push/pull) affect the motion of an object (P1.1). We will discuss how some forces can be used to make things move without touching them and explore magnets (P1.2).

Announcements

1. E-mail me with any questions or concerns! ghall@wcpss.net
2. Math Night and Open House are Thursday, September 5. Make sure to RSVP if you would like to come to Math Night!
<https://bit.ly/2Hbgt0z>
3. Open House will be at 7:10 and 7:40. These two sessions will have the same information.
4. Literacy Night and Book Fair Night will both be on September 26. I will send out more information as I receive it. RSVP here if you would like to attend: <https://bit.ly/2Z1yFF1>
5. When reading at home, make sure to be asking your student questions about the story that start with words such as: *Who? What? When? Where? Why? How (was the character feeling)?*

Dates:

September 5: Math Curriculum Night 6:00 pm
Open House 7:10 pm

September 20: Fall Pictures (individual)

September 26: ELA Curriculum Night 6:00pm

October 4: Rock Quarry Field Trip; Report Cards home

Classroom Wishlist

- multicultural crayons
- Post-It notes
- individual binder rings
- prize box items (stickers, temporary tattoos, fun pencils, glitter glue, bouncy balls, erasers, etc.)
- kid-friendly magazines (for cutting/sorting pictures as well as for our classroom library)

Have a wonderful week ☺

- Mrs. Hall