



teacher's notes

Book Report

This month is a book of students' choice. The book must be at least 100 pages. The students should identify the characters (with a description), setting, plot (beginning, middle and end) in their book report. It is due on September 28th

Planners

Student planners need to be signed by a parent or guardian each night.

PTO Party Money

Please make sure you turn in your party money to the office as soon as possible

What's Happening in the Classroom?

August 31st

This week in 5th grade we began reading the novel Shiloh. It is about an abused dog that runs away from home and steals the heart of a young boy, Marty. Marty is determined to buy Shiloh from his hurtful owner and keep him safe. There is a packet to go along with this novel working on a variety of reading skills. We will not have time to complete every part of the packet, but what is completed will be taken for a daily grade.

Our MAP testing window opened this week, so the students completed the reading MAP assessment. Math will be a couple weeks out. These assessments are a great tool for me to use to see common areas for improvement among my class as well as common areas of strength.

In science we were able to trace our shadows and track them throughout the day. Students have a better understanding of the cardinal directions, how to find them, and the movement of the sun across the sky.

Writing consisted of a review of paragraph format this week. We took notes on and practiced writing topic, detail, and closing sentences. This is an important part of writing an essay.

Our first math test was today! I think the students did very well. The review days covered everything that they would see on the test, so they should have been prepared! We begin topic 2 next week.

Please remember, I am here if and when you need me! Looking forward to the weeks to come!

Miss Skrdla ☺

class calendar

Sept. 3 & 4 No School

Sept. 14 Dragon Dash
(5th grade: 1:50-2:35)

Sept. 18 School Pictures

Sept. 28 Book Report
Due

UPCOMING EXPLORATIONS

READING

We will continue reading the novel Shiloh with focus on vocabulary and comprehension.

WRITING

Students will create paragraphs with strong topic sentences.

MATH

We will begin Topic 2 in Envisions, Adding and Subtracting Decimals.