

Mr. Kinder's Class Newsletter: September 19-23, 2022

1. Please see the attached letter "How to Help Your Child Reach His or Her Potential."
2. Please encourage your child to regularly correct his or her assignments and assessments for extra credit.
3. On Wacky Wednesday the students will learn about minerals by sorting Jelly Bellies.
4. To motivate the students to read more frequently and assess their content knowledge, they will begin taking Accelerated Reader (AR) tests on the books they read. They will earn points based on the length of the book and how many questions they successfully answered. They will earn prizes for their points. Please see the Accelerated Reader Family Guide on our website (wolfpups.org) for more information.
 - The AR login is the student's **first name initial** and the **first four letters** of his or her last name. Their password is **abc**. I'll place the AR login information in the Homework Folder.
5. To improve spelling and vocabulary the students have been given "My Writing Words" packets. These packets will stay at school. The packets contain hundreds of categorized words and provide opportunities for the students to add their own words. The packets are individualized word portfolios.
6. Please ensure your child completes his or her Weekly Reading Log and turns it in, with his or her Homework Folder, every Friday. I will return graded assignments and the Homework Folder on Mondays.
 - Weekly homework is to read 20+ minutes a day and practice memorizing multiplication facts.
 - Students are encouraged to play online math programs (iReady, Prodigy, and multiplication games)
7. Math tutorial is available every Thursday, before school, 8:30 to 9:15 AM.
8. Please regularly read with your child and help him or her memorize their multiplication facts. I posted abundant games and resources (e.g. Flash Cards) on the Math page on our website, wolfpups.org.

Classes and Assignments

1. Math

We will continue Unit 2, multiplication and division. We'll cover lessons 6-8.

The students need to consistently practice their multiplication facts every night for about 15 minutes.

2. Language Arts

We'll cover lesson 4 and read the story "Pop's Bridge." We're learning about types of nouns and compound sentences. The students have been assigned one of three spelling lists. They have quizzes on Thursdays. The green list words are for, was, are, with, they, load, opening, told. The yellow list words are load, opening, told, yellow, soak, shadow, foam, follow, glow, sold, window, coach, almost, throat, cold, and most. The red list has all the yellow words and tomorrow, sailboats, disappears, excitement.

3. Reading

We will continue reading and discussing [Charlie and the Chocolate Factory](#). A PDF copy is on the website.

Reminder: The Weekly Reading Log is due every Friday. Please sign and place it in the Homework Folder.

4. Science

We are learning about forms of energy. We'll study sound. We'll read and discuss chapter 12, lesson 2.

5. Social Studies

We'll be learning about Alaska's natural resources, specifically minerals.