



Room 2 News

October 24-28, 2011

Important Reminders

- It was wonderful meeting with everyone during conferences!
- No School on Friday, October 28
- October Reading Log Calendar due Monday, October 31
- FUNd Run donations due on Monday, October 31
- Our Halloween Party is on October 31 after the 2:00pm parade. Please remember that only the first 8 students alphabetically were asked to bring something for this party.
- DOL Test #2 - Friday, November 4
- Library books are due every other Wednesday.
- Be sure to use the school dismissal form for a change in PM dismissal.
- I am no longer be signing your child's student planner. It is his/her responsibility to copy down all assignments as part of bellwork.
- Be sure to check out www.missrosenthal.com for class updates.

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Spelling Words

Pretest 10-31-11
Test 11-4-11

felt
fast
hundred
ten
stood
coil
moist
spoil
joint
foil
choice
enjoy
joy
royal
flour
amount
mouth
mount
however
powder
vowel
flower
power
plow
crowd

Reading - Students took a reading test about climate. They also read a short story and answered comprehension questions. We read a Scholastic News on Thursday.

Writing - We practiced DOL by correcting sentences for spelling, punctuation, and capitalization. DOL test #2 will be on Friday, November 4. A study guide will go home next week. Students also reflected on the week and wrote a friendly letter to you about what they did. The letter is in his/her Friday Folder. They also have the opportunity to write in their journal during our morning routine.

Spelling - Our unit 9 pretest is on Monday. If your child gets -0 or -1 on the pretest, he/she will get the challenge list and a bonus buck! If your child gets an A on the challenge list test, he/she will receive another bonus buck. The spelling workbook homework will go home on Monday and is due each Thursday.

Math - We began unit 3 by learning about What's My Rule problems and multiplication. Remember to practice addition, subtraction, and multiplication facts with your child every night, since we will be having timed quizzes periodically. Remember to refer to the Study Link Family Letter for questions regarding the homework. All math homework is due the following day and it is checked in class together.

Social Studies - Students continued to learn about the difference between maps and globes. Remind your child to continue studying the continents and oceans because there may be pop quizzes within the next few weeks. We traveled to the Sphinx in Egypt with Mrs. Waffenschmidt. Be sure to check out the Little Passports link on www.missrosenthal.com for some awesome global games. There are also fun games on the Time for Kids link.

International Baccalaureate - We began learning about the attitude enthusiasm this week, since it ties into our first unit of inquiry. After reading books about enthusiasm, students discussed what it means, wrote about what he/she is enthusiastic about, and made a paper quilt about enthusiasm. Check out the quilt in the hall and on our website!

Unit of Inquiry - We began our first unit of inquiry this week, which is about the United States regions. Students discovered the definition of a region, an area defined by similar characteristics, by drawing their dream bedrooms. We also divided the United States and world into various regions. The students learned that regions are different depending on the person dividing them. The students were then able to explore the Northeast region by going to various exploration stations, including music, building, picture books, and nonfiction books. We read about important physical and human characteristics within the Northeast region. They were introduced to the final summative assessment, which is a region report that they will complete in school with a partner. They picked their region and began reading and taking notes about their region this week during reading.

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