

MRS. GUBLER'S
CLASSROOM NEWS
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NEWS!!

My monthly newsletter will be available on the Fairhaven Public Schools Website: fairhavenps.org
You will also be able to access useful information such as:
Homework policies
Classroom rules

READING

We are currently working on the theme of Exploration in our reading books. We have read about exploring neighborhoods, nature, outer space, and desert habitats. We have one more story to read to complete our first unit.

We have begun meeting three times a week for flexible grouping. We found that many students needed more work with the CVC (or the consonant-vowel-consonant) phonics pattern based on our testing. We will focus on this skill in some groups with the plan of moving out of these groups as soon as possible. Other

groups are focusing on comprehension and fluency.

MATH

We have just completed the Chapter 1 Test from the Math program. Most students seem to have a good understanding of skip-counting and looking for patterns. This chapter also tested their knowledge of graphs and their uses. Chapter 2 will begin to focus on Addition concepts such as;
joining groups,
counting on,
number sentences, and
turnaround facts.

I will be sending home Math Fact sheets starting next week to study for a weekly Mad Minute. Please help your child learn these facts. It is so important to their math success.

LANGUAGE

We are reviewing the basics in Grammar. We have worked on sentences, subjects, predicates and next we will review types of sentences. When checking your child's homework, please look for capitals, end marks and noticing if the sentences make sense. Encourage them to check their own work before showing it to you.

PEACEBUILDERS

We are working very hard this month on respect, what it means and how we show it. Please discuss with your child that school is a place to learn and that listening is respectful and the best key to being successful in life. We have so many fun things to do this year that I don't want anyone to miss out. Thank you for your support.

IMPORTANT DATES

10/5 PTO meeting 3:30
10/7 Teacher's Professional
Development Day - No school
10/11 Columbus Day - No school.
10/20 Early Release Day

P.S.: Thank you for the tissues!