

4th Grade News 9-16-19

What We're Learning:

Reading: We are continuing to work on creating a classroom reading community through reading picture books. We are practicing turn and talk procedures and having class discussions on what we've read. Students are also working on building their reading stamina while I begin individual testing for student reading levels. We also completed the District's reading pre-assessment last week.

Writing: Last week, we worked on brainstorming ideas about how to write realistic fiction. We know how to develop small moment stories and have started working on creating interesting and unique characters for our stories.

Math: In math we have been working with place value to the millions. Students know that each place value is ten times greater than the place value to its left. Students also know how to write multi-digit numbers in several forms such as unit form and standard form. We have also worked with placing numbers using dots on a place value chart and bundling when we get to groups of 10.

Science: We started our first mini unit on Earth, Moon, and Sun. We learned about scale models and have compared the size of the earth, moon, and sun to each other. Our social studies curriculum will alternate with science this year.

In Other News:

Curriculum Night: Curriculum night is Thursday, September 19th starting at 6:00pm. Please go to the MPR first for Mrs. Harris' presentation. After, please come to room P-6 for our classroom presentation. I am looking forward to seeing you all!

Volunteers: I appreciate volunteers! Please note that if you plan on volunteering in the 2019-20 school year, you must update your credentials each year. You may update or fill out a new application at <https://issaquahvolunteers.hrmlplus.net>

Snack: We have already exhausted our PTA snack for the month of September. If

you would like to donate a peanut and egg free snack to the class, we would appreciate it!

Reading at Home: Do you want to help your child “Blast into Reading” this year? Have them participate in the Apollo PTA’s Read At Home (RAH) program! Your child should have received a RAH Reading Challenge worksheet from school. If they didn’t, visit: www.apollopta.ourschoolpages.com/Page/Programs/RAH If your child completes the worksheet and turns it in by **December 2, 2019**, they will get the opportunity to pick out a new book for free!

Calendar of Events: Please refer to my website’s homepage, Apollo Rocket E-News, or the Apollo PTA’s website for up-to-date information on upcoming events!