







# October Newsletter

## Lead Story Headline

Well the first month has come and gone and we are knee deep in work. The students in class have done an exceptional job learning routines. The transition time between these routines are a little hectic but it's coming along.

Language – We are finishing up Reading Strategies and have begun our weekly Journals. Ask your son or daughter about our journals, they are quite thought provoking. By mid October we will shift our focus to Narrative Story Writing. We will focus on Setting, Characters and developing a beginning, middle and end. The theme this year will be on Halloween. I have a few ideas I am going to bounce of the students. I am hoping to have our Novel study up and going by mid October as well. I will keep you posted with expectations and criteria. It will truly be a great read for both grades.

Math— for the first few weeks of October our focus will be on Patterning. The class will be using many hands on manipulatives to understand the concepts. The learning goal for this unit is to recognize pattern language and manipulate number patterns to create logical solutions. The focus will then shift into data management.

Along with my math instruction, problem solving will play a large part in our students learning this year. My goal is to build confident math minds, who are not afraid to attempt tough problems.

#### Math Calendars-

I had most of the students return their math calendars on time. I am still waiting on a few. Once again, these calendars are an extension of what we are learning at school. They are used to give the students a little extra help and keep the creative juices flowing at home. Every calendar brought in, is rewarded with something out of the treasure box.

Science Gr.6 - this month the focus will continue to be on Space. They are currently creating solar systems and will then move into satellites. To infinity and beyond!!!!!

#### Science Gr.5-

The focus will continue to be on Human Organ Systems. Isntead of having a test at the end of this unit. The Gr. 5 students will create a Cereal box of a chosen organ system which will display the parts and function of each organ. This is a great unit for all those future doctors out there.

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Special points of interest

- ©Cross-country
  Oct 19th
- ©Grade 5/6 Picture Day Oct 11th
- ©Pizza Day Oct. 13th, 20th, 27th
- ©Black and Orange day 31st
- Mad Science
   10th, 17th, 24th
- ©CAGE Soccer 25th
- ⊕Bus Safety 19th

### MORE MATH Secondary Story

Halloween— this year Oneida will once again be participating in Orange and Black day. We will have games and fun activities for all students to participate in. It runs from 2-3pm. So be sure to have your gear ready, I know I do.

Meet The Teacher—It was very nice to meet most of you on that particular night. It's great to put a name to the face. I am enjoying my year so far, and this group of students are quite productive. This year should be a blast. I am hoping the students don't learn to many bad habits from me. Yikes!!! Thanks Mr. M.

Fair Day- I would like to thank all the parents and students for a wonderful Fair Day. The entire school especially the Gr. 5/6's, showed so much school spirit. It's a pretty great thing to have the students support their school and be successful. GO EAGLES GO!!!

