



Kindergarten Newsletter

April 3rd-April 6th

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

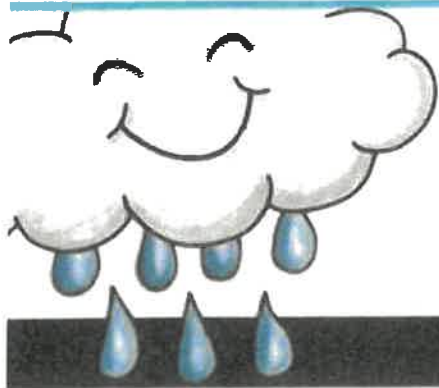
Conferences: We're looking forward to meeting with you next week to discuss your little one's growth so far this year. Please return the yellow conference sheet by Wednesday April 5th to let us know what time works best for you to join us.

Spring Picture Day: New Leif Photography will be at Madrona on April 5th to take your child's spring pictures. Don't forget to dress your best and bring your smile! Photo flyers will be sent home this week.

Science Night Date Change: Please join us for Science Night on the evening of May 16th where families will be able to participate in hands-on science experiments and exploration. The activities include snap circuits, silly putty, cotton candy science, aluminum foil boats, paper helicopters, magical swirling milk and science toys. We hope to see you here!

Dates to Remember

April 5th	Spring Pictures
May 16th	Science Night 5:30-7:00 pm



Our First Grade Classroom News

The Week of April 3rd 6th

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Upcoming Events

4/12 - 4/14 Conferences
4/22 Earth Day

Sight Words

Ready	country
Soil	kinds
earth	almost
Covers	warms

Reminders

April is Poetry Month

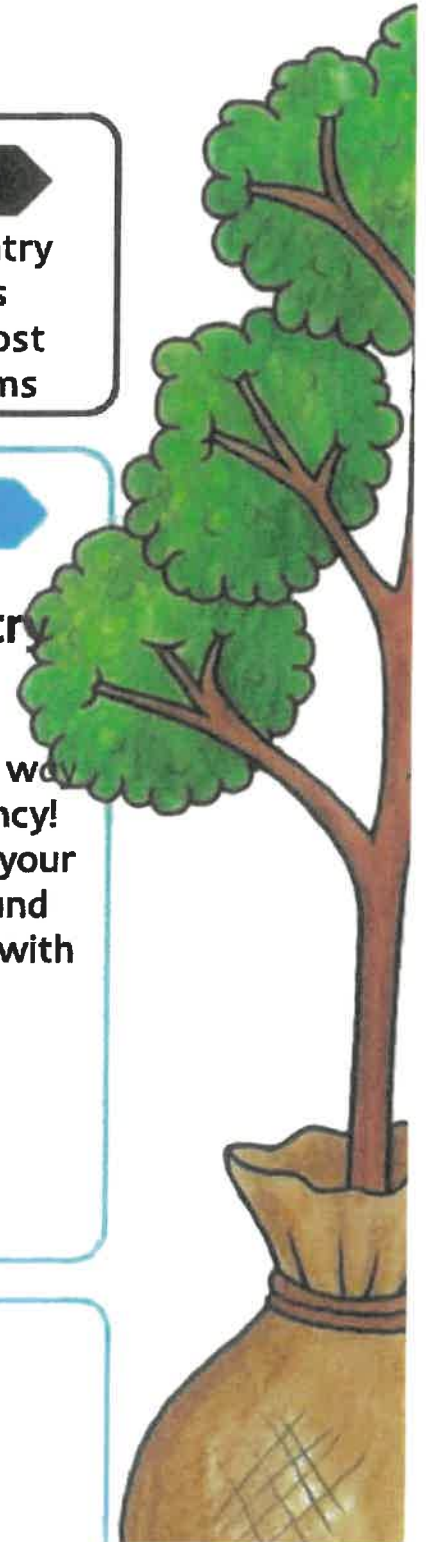
Poetry is a great way to practice fluency! Practice reading your favorite poem and you can share it with the class!

Our Learning

Reading: A Tree is a Plant
Phonics: Vowel Digraphs (oo, ou, ew)
Math: Addition Strategies
Writing: How trees grow (first, then, next, last)
Science: Trees

Spelling Words

soon	zoo	blew
noon	too	grew
boot	new	soup



2nd Grade Madrona Hornets Family News

April 3, 2023



WELCOME BACK!



I hope you all had an enjoyable spring break. It's a new month, and soon will be a new quarter—#4!

Time is flying. This week we are working on:

- Words with "er" in phonics and spelling
- Key details & asking and answering questions in a nonfiction text about plants
- Word problems that have extra information and more than one step
- Finishing up our informational writing
- Maps and geography in Science & Social Studies

Reminder

****March 13 - April 5**

Candy Bar Fundraiser (extended!)

Wednesday, April 5 - SPRING PICTURES

Family Science/Art Night has been revamped & rescheduled:

***April 12 & 13**

Student Art Display will be held during evening conferences.

***Tuesday, May 16, 5:30 - 7:00**

Madrona Family Science Night

Thanks for all you do to support your child's learning. Have a wonderful week!

Mrs. Edwards

HOMEWORK



READING

15 min. X 4 days = 1 hour!

Fill in your calendar!

SPELLING

REMEMBER TO:

- ◆ SAY IT
- ◆ HIDE IT
- ◆ WRITE IT
- ◆ CHECK IT!

(Instructions at the top of the homework page)

Vowel digraph er:

- 1 - herd
- 2 - silver
- 3 - germ
- 4 - sister
- 5 - timber
- 6 - over
- 7 - were
- 8 - fern
- 9 - *there
- 10 - *where
- 11 - **perfect
- 12 - **letter

* = high frequency word

** = challenge word



Mrs. Simpson's 3rd Grade Newsletter

April 3-6, 2023

Our final conference of the school year is coming. Be on the lookout for Conference Time Preference Slips. Sign and return them as soon as possible.

Please be thinking of a friend or family member who would be willing to help with a class project. We will be starting a Social Studies unit on Communities/Map Skills using a book called Flat Stanley. In class we will be writing letters, asking our friend or family member to teach us about their community by writing us back. More to come next week.

The Master Gardeners will be teaching a total of 4 gardening lessons during lunch recesses in the months of April and May.

The attached reading log and math homework is due Thursday. Students who complete and turn in their homework will earn an extra recess.

Some of this week's skills:

Reading: Read and spell compound words. Use a dictionary/glossary to develop vocabulary. Comprehend nonliteral meaning of text. Conclude the main idea and key details of a text.

Math: Show a fraction 3 ways: using a symbol, on a fraction bar and on a number line. Compare fractions. Identify equivalent fractions. Fluently multiply and divide. Round to the nearest ten, hundred or thousand.

Social Studies: Communities/Map Skills

Character Traits: Courage and Resilience

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Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I'm here to support you and your child.

Calendar of Events

Breakfast @
7:00-7:15
Class begins @ 7:20
Dismissal @ 2:25

4/5 Spring Pictures

4/13 Evening
Conferences (school
day)

4/14 Morning
conferences

Madrona Art Gallery
Displayed during
conferences

Reminders

Library- Please return
or renew all library
books every
Wednesday.

PE - Mondays,
Tuesdays and
Thursdays. Please
wear or bring
appropriate shoes.

MONDAY	Math/ELA Homework:	<u>Reading Log</u> BOOK TITLE: _____ Minutes Read: _____
TUESDAY	Math/ELA Homework:	<u>Reading Log</u> BOOK TITLE: _____ Minutes Read: _____
WEDNESDAY	Math/ELA Homework:	<u>Reading Log</u> BOOK TITLE: _____ Minutes Read: _____ Parent's signature : _____

HOMEWORK POLICY: Students are asked to read 20 minutes every night, record their time, and have a parent sign for full credit. The homework log is turned in every Thursday.

Math and/or Language Arts homework is expected only if a student does not complete their classwork that day. Students will record these assignments on their homework log. These assignments are due the following morning they were assigned.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS NO SPELLING OR VOCABULARY TEST THIS WEEK. The end of quarter 3 is April 6th.

CURRENT FOCUS: In ELA, we will be focusing on the following skills with informational texts: compare/contrast and inferring. In math, students will begin using their knowledge of equivalent fractions in order to compare two fractions with different numerators and/or different denominators, record the results with the symbols $>$, $=$, or $<$, and justify their conclusions.



Mr. Swaim's Class Newsletter April 2023

Subjects at a Glance

Hello families! This month we are learning many new things.

Reading: Narrative Nonfiction; *Can't you Make Them Behave King George?*

Math: Dividing Whole Numbers with 1 and 2 Digit Divisors

Science: Conservation of Matter and Energy Transfer

Social Studies: Colonial America and the Revolution

Reading

5.RL.1 Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.

5.RL.2 Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text, including characters in a story or drama .

Math

Use equivalent fractions as a strategy to add and subtract fractions (5.NF.A)

Accurately adds and subtracts fractions

Accurately adds and subtracts mixed numbers

Important Dates

April 6 THUR End of Third Quarter (39 days)

April 7 FRI Clerical Day - No School

April 12 WED Evening Conferences

April 13 THUR Evening Conferences

April 14 FRI Morning Conferences

Science

5-PS1-2 Measure and graph quantities to provide evidence that regardless of the type of change that occurs when heating, cooling, or mixing substances, the total weight of matter is conserved.

Social Studies

Studies Weekly:

Week 16 Declaration of Independence

Week 17: Crossing the Delaware

Week 18: The Articles of Confederation

Week 19: The Preamble of the Constitution