

Welcome Back! We have just 3 weeks left in Quarter 1!

9/10/2018

We have many fun and interesting things to look forward to as we finish out this first quarter.

Before an update on curriculum, here are a few important **announcements**.

- **Friday Folders will be going home TODAY (Monday 9/10)** with important information from over Track Out. **Please take out all forms** and return anything to school that needs to be signed along with the folder.
- School Pictures for Track 2 will be **Friday September 14th**
- You will see a YELLOW information letter regarding fourth grade field trips for the YEAR. Please read it carefully. It explains how to pay for ALL of our field trips for the year and how much each trip will cost.
- Our first field trip will be to the **Greensboro Science Center**. Track 1 and 2 will be going together on **Friday November 9th** - our track out day. An information packet is coming home today so please read all the information carefully and return ASAP. **All forms are due October 1st. *If you are interested in being a chaperone, please fill out the form on the bottom of the packet. I will email parents that are chosen as volunteers.***
- **Fall Conferences will be held October 8 - 12.** You will receive an email from signup genius with instructions on how to sign up for a day and time. Please follow the link and the instructions. There will be conferences every day from 4:00 - 5:30 pm. **The last conference starts at 5:15pm.** If you need a conference, but are having trouble finding a day and time that fits your schedule, please email me about setting up a phone conference. You may also use the link below to sign up. Please only sign up once.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4aaaaf2fa5fd0-quarter>

Here is a quick overview of our focus in the classroom for the coming weeks:

Math -

In math we have finished up multiplicative comparisons, factors, multiples, and reviewed area and perimeter. We are beginning our section on place value. We will discuss identifying the value of individual digits within a number, reading and writing multi-digit numbers in expanded form, word form, place value form, and standard form. We will add and subtract multi-digit numbers up to the millions place. We will have our end of unit test sometime the week of September 24th.

Science -

We are continuing our unit on rocks and minerals. We will be investigating rocks more over the next three weeks including classifying rock types, identifying the minerals in certain rocks, and making edible rocks. We will briefly discuss fossils as well. We will be taking our end of unit test on Friday September 21.

If you are interested in volunteering to help run a center for our Edible Rock Lab this will take place on Wednesday 9/19 from 9:30-10:30 am. We are in need of only 3-4 chaperones. If you would like to volunteer and can commit to this day and time then please email me.

Social Studies -

We finished our Economics Unit a few weeks ago. We will review Economics before the end of the quarter and have another opportunity for students to show mastery.

Language Arts -

We are finishing our first EL Module. Students have written their own poems which we revised before Track Out. Students will be writing a Poetry Presentation short essay that explains what inspired their writing with a focus on using evidence from their text. Students will be presenting their poems and essays beginning on Wednesday 9/19.

As always - feel free to email me with any questions or concerns regarding your fourth grader and/or our classroom.

Thanks!

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Important Dates:

September 14:	School Pictures
September 19:	Edible Rocks Lab (need 3-4 parent volunteers)
September 21:	Rocks & Minerals Unit Test
October 1:	Greensboro Science Center Field Trip forms due
October 8-12:	Parent/Teacher Conferences