

Dragonfly Diary

Ms. Frens, Lincoln 3rd Grade

October 17, 2011

We had a full week last week with MEAP, completing natural resources posters, climbing math mountains and discussing text structures. Thanks for the MEAP snacks!

We have begun to set goals for ourselves each week. After cleaning out our desks on Friday, we will be tackling organization in a more deliberate way this week.

We continue to work on returning homework as a class. Thank you for supporting our efforts in so many ways.

Ms. Frens

Reading

One way that I can **respond** to reading in my notebook is:

Writing

This is one of the **text structures** that I am using to plan my informational text.

Spelling

Giving students a **practice spelling test** on Thursdays is very powerful. The focus this week is on long vowels sounds.

Social Studies: We will begin our study of **economics** this week. Students will be researching a product that will become the focus of a business that they will "open" with other "entrepreneurs."

Math: This week we begin a unit on **geometry**. Students will be using a ruler that measures with centimeters and inches for their homework.

The students continue to work on math fact fluency. **Flashcards** for addition and subtraction can be fun and build speed.

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Friendship

Teamwork is an important job skill.
One way I was a good team member is:

More MEAP: This **Tuesday**, the students will be taking the Math portion of the MEAP testing. Again, students should be well-rested and have had a nourishing breakfast. Thanks once again to everyone who is helping with the snacks! We appreciate them!

Halloween Craft: Your donations will be much appreciated as we look forward to a festive party in a couple weeks. We are looking for the following donations to construct a craft at the party: **cheap toilet paper rolls, forest green pipe cleaners, paper lunch sacks, green felt, quilt squares in orange or red patterns.**

Thanks for any contribution you are able to give! There are 22 students in our class as you plan for party treats, etc.

Book Orders: Due on Friday October 21.

Checks: Payable to **Scholastic.**

Cash: Exact change.

Online: @ www.scholastic.com with

Class Activation Code: **FWV2G**

Thanks for your order!



"Be the change you want to see in the world."

--Mahatma Gandhi

Monday, 10/17

- Happy (Oct. 15th) birthday, Ellie!
- Spelling Pre-Test: Introduce 5 new words
- Spelling homework comes home
- Look for 2-3 Math homework pages this week
- Library books due

Tuesday, 10/18

- MEAP
- Spanish / Music

Wednesday, 10/19

- Happy Birthday, Nathan!
- PE

Thursday, 10/20

- Spelling Homework due
- Art / Music

Friday, 10/21

- Scholastic Book Orders Due
- Spelling Test: Lesson 6
- Retelling due
- PE