



Fourth Grade Newsletter

October

You Need to Know!

- Field trip payments are due Friday, October 28.
- Class t-shirts, donations, and memberships can be purchased on the PTA website.
<http://www.dsisd.txed.net/index.aspx?NID=4451>
- If you plan on volunteering in school, or chaperone a field trip; you will need to complete the form below, and turn in to the front office.
<http://www.dsisd.txed.net/DocumentCenter/Home/View/78008>
- Art Appreciation volunteers are still needed. Contact Ricky Reid - PTA.

Don't forget....

- Be sure to send notes through the office if there is a change in transportation.
- Check your child's Thursday folder for information from the office, and graded work.



Curriculum News

Math

We are creating Math Mindsets - where mistakes are valuable and grow our brains!

- We can create frequency tables, dot plots, and stem-leaf charts.
- We are solving one and two step problems using data in whole numbers, decimals and fraction forms in frequency tables.

Reading

Stop, Notice, and Note!

While we are reading, we stop and notice...

...when a character figures something out, stop and think, "How might this change things?"

...when a character says or does something that is the opposite what he has been saying, "Why is the character doing that?"

...when the author interrupts the action to tell you a memory, "Why might this memory be important?"

...when a character asks himself a really difficult question, stop and think..."What does this question make me wonder about?"

Science

Forms of Energy

- We will demonstrate how electricity travels in a closed path, creating an electrical circuit.
- We will be creating an experiment to test the effects of force on an object such as push, pull, gravity, friction, and magnets.

Social Studies

We will be exploring American Indian groups in Texas.

- We will discover their economic resources such as farming, trading and hunting.
- We will compare how various American Indian groups such as the Caddo and the Comanche govern themselves.

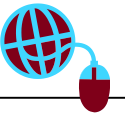
Kid Friendly Website

We strongly suggest adult supervision while children explore this, or any other, Internet site.

Craving to learn more math:

Check out this -

<http://www.hoodamath.com/>



Important
DATE!

Mark Your Calendar

- 3 Watch Dogs begin
- 7 Fall Mileage begins
- 7 Spirit Sticks on sale
- 7 Principal Coffee
- 10 Holiday
- 15 UIL local meet
- 18 Student Led Conferences
- 20 Passport Night 6:30-7:30
- 22 Fall Fair
- 24-28 Red Ribbon Week
- 25 Fall Picture Retakes
- 25 PTA Reflections Due