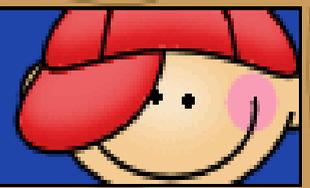




The HARRIS HUDDLE

September 1, 2019



ALL-STAR KIDS CAN DO ANYTHING!



NEWS AND REMINDERS



Reading:

Now that assessments are finished and targeted literacy groups have been made, we are in full swing with reading groups. Each reading group is reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction books. The students are learning new phonics rules to help them with their reading and spelling such as: r-controlled vowels, prefixes, suffixes, and vowel pairs. The class will create timelines, main idea and topic webs, story maps, and cause & effect T- charts to aid them with comprehension. How to use a glossary, index, table of contents, and headings will be an element of daily reading instruction.

Writing:

I LOVE reading my student's writing and seeing their progress in such a short time! They are working on a wide range of writing skills at all different levels. We will learn how to write a friendly letter with the proper format and conventions. Personal and factual descriptive paragraphs with proper margins, multiple modifiers, compound sentences, and appropriate organizational plans will be several of our targets during September. Many groups will focus on writing essays that state their opinion and give additional details to support their ideas.

Cursive Crazy:

This month I will finish my instruction of each capital and lowercase cursive letters. The students will practice cursive every afternoon in their handwriting workbooks independently at their own pace. They are very excited and eager to learn a new form of writing and earn their cursive license!

Math:

We will begin Unit 2. Students will explore relationships with fact families, several addition and subtraction algorithms, and strategies for solving word problems. In class I will be differentiating for all learners in math through extension activities and follow-up small group support

Social Studies:

This month the class will study geography. They will investigate maps, map tools, the 5 oceans, and 7 continents. Students will need to identify their hemisphere, continent, country, state and community. We will also study a sampling of famous landmarks and monuments in the United States. Students will get to choose a partner and create travel brochures explaining a community's physical geography, natural resources, and special attractions.

•Reading Plus is an adaptive, individualized curriculum that creates an education plan for each student. This allows students to progress as quickly as they like, while simultaneously ensuring that they get extra instruction in the areas they need. Reading Plus offers lessons in reading fluency, comprehension, and vocabulary. Reading Plus will be an everyday component of reading in class. As soon as I get assigned student passwords and log in information I will staple them in student planners to use as a resource at home.

•Please practice basic multiplication math facts at home. A 3-5 minute review each night will help students meet the goal of memorizing their multiplication facts to 10. This will dramatically help them with multiplication and more sophisticated concepts to come.

•Weekly homework menus will be sent home each week in the Thursday folder and due back the following Friday.

•Each week a spelling list will be sent home with the homework menu. Students are given an opportunity to practice spelling each day during our writing block. Please practice these words at home too. Log on to <https://www.spellingcity.com/users/bearcreek3> for fun games with each week's words.

•Inclement Weather Dismissal Reminders: All walkers and bike riders will be dismissed from the front doors! All other students will be dismissed through the East or West side doors as usual pick up. I need the early release form filled out and sent back from every parent. In case of an early release from school this form will ensure I can contact the correct person and get your child home quickly and safely.

•Spirit day is every Friday. Wear navy blue and forest green or your Bear Creek gear to win the pod with the most spirit! Order forms are at the front office, or you can order spirit wear by going to <https://bces-pto.ecwid.com/>

SEPTEMBER				
2 No School Labor Day	3	4 Run+FUNs Pep rally	5 Back to School Night	6
9	10 Popcorn Friday Orders Due	11	12 Run+FUN Day	13 No School for Students
16	17 Volunteer Orientation 9:00am & 6:00 pm.	18	19 Run+FUNs Donations Due	20 Back to School Bash 5:30-7:00
23	24 Give back Night ZOUP	25 Delayed Start 10:55	26 Progress reports sent home	27 Popcorn Friday
30 Vision & Hearing Screening				

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