



Mrs. Otte's Weekly Update



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April 20 - 24

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Edition 30

Math: STUDENTS LEARNED METRIC AND CUSTOMARY WEIGHT AND MASS. OUR MEASUREMENT UNIT WILL BE HALTED AS WE BEGIN TO WORK ON OUR REVIEW UNIT FOR MAP TESTING. NEXT WEEK THEY WILL BE TAKING AN END OF THE YEAR INVENTORY TEST TO START REVIEW GROUPS FOR OBJECTIVES STILL NEEDING EXTRA PRACTICE.

Writing: STUDENTS ARE REALLY ENJOYING WRITING THEIR PERSONAL NARRATIVES. THIS WEEK WE LEARNED HOW TO CREATE A STORY MOUNTAIN TO WORK ON PACING OF OUR STORIES. WE ALSO REVIEWED USING TRANSITIONS WORDS AND ELABORATING EVEN MORE! WE TRIED ADDING AN INTERNAL STORY, A FLASHBACK, OR A FLASH FORWARD TO OUR STORY TO MAKE IT MORE INTERESTING.

Reading: CONTINUING OUR TALL TALES UNIT, STUDENTS ARE LEARNING ABOUT HYPERBOLE! LOTS AND LOTS OF EXAMPLES OF EXAGGERATION ARE FOUND IN THESE STORIES. THEY READ TWO TALL TALES BY DIFFERENT AUTHORS ARE COMPARED THE TWO.

BY READING A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT SHARON CREECH STORIES FOR OUR READ ALOUD, WE ARE FINDING THAT SHE USES MANY OF THE SAME CHARACTERS, PLOTS, AND SETTINGS IN A NUMBER OF HER STORIES. ALTHOUGH THESE ARE NOT A SERIES, MANY OF HER STORIES CAN BE READ TOGETHER.

Science and Social Studies: IN SOCIAL STUDIES WE DOVE INTO OUR ECONOMICS UNIT BY REVIEWING THE FOLLOWING TERMS: OPPORTUNITY COST, SCARCITY, CONSUMER, PRODUCER, PROFIT, AND SUPPLY AND DEMAND. I INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING TERMS THIS WEEK AS WELL: MARKET ECONOMY, COMMAND ECONOMY, AND TRADITIONAL ECONOMY AND WE COMPARED THEM.

Mission Statement

THIS YEAR WE HAVE WORKING TO LEARN HOLY TRINITY'S MISSION STATEMENT. BECAUSE THIS IS OUR FIRST YEAR LEARNING IT, EACH GRADE IS ASKED TO REMEMBER AND DISCUSS ONE PART. OUR PART IS **EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION**. STUDENTS NOTICED THAT THESE WORDS ARE COLORED ORANGE ON MY WEBSITE. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO ASK YOUR CHILD WHAT PART OF THE MISSION STATEMENT WE ARE ASKED TO LEARN. ALSO ASK THEM WHAT THIS MEANS TO THEM!

Mini Market Letter

HOPEFULLY EVERYONE SAW THE MINI MARKET LETTER THAT CAME HOME THIS WEEK. PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, CONCERNS. STUDENTS WERE VERY EAGER TO START THIS PROJECT!

Dates to Remember

APRIL 28	SCIENCE MAP TESTING
APRIL 30	LANGUAGE USAGE MAP TESTING
MAY 6	MATH MAP TESTING
	VIP DAY — MAY CROWNING — TALENT SHOW

*PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO HAVE YOUR CHILD AT SCHOOL ON THESE DAYS. FINDING ADDITIONAL TIME TO TEST IS VERY DIFFICULT IN OUR SHORT TIME FRAME. IF THERE IS A CONFLICT, PLEASE EMAIL ME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.