



KLEPTZ NEWS

October 2024



Literacy Corner

with Mrs. Zumwalt

This year, we are excited to introduce a new Language Arts curriculum designed to ensure students engage in daily reading, writing, and meaningful discussions. The curriculum we've selected is called Bookworms, which emphasizes building oral language and vocabulary, especially for our younger learners. We recognize that these skills are crucial for developing successful readers and writers.

Our Language Arts instruction will be divided into three key blocks:

Shared Reading: This block focuses on reading, discussions, and comprehension, helping students improve their ability to understand and analyze texts.

ELA Block: During this time, students will engage in interactive read-alouds, which are designed to expand their vocabulary and deepen their understanding of more complex texts. Writing activities, such as sentence composing, will also be a central part of this block.

Foundational Skills: For this block, we will use the UFLI curriculum, which focuses on strengthening phonemic awareness and decoding skills, essential for becoming a proficient reader and writer.

We are thrilled to bring this comprehensive curriculum to our district and look forward to seeing our students grow and thrive!

Resource

If your family needs assistance with holiday meals or providing gifts for your children, you may now apply using the link below. Applications for holiday meal boxes must be submitted by November 1, and applications for the Christmas store must be submitted by November 15. To receive this service, you must apply and live in the Northmont School District.

<https://forms.gle/iM9r1tX8DLwFWcbk8>

Upcoming Dates:

October 3 and 4--Hearing and Vision Screening

October 3 - Homecoming Parade

October 7 & 8-Parent teacher conf

October 11-14-No School

October 21-PTO Meeting 6 pm Cafe

October 31- Halloween Party-All Grade Levels

November 3-Daylight Savings Time

November 5-Picture Retakes

November 8-End of grading period

November 11- Veterans Day

November 15-Report Cards

November 25-29-Thanksgiving Break

December 10-Community Breakfast

December 18-20 FastBridge Testing by apt only

December 23-Jan 6- Winter Break

Orange Hallway



Preschool Teachers-Miss Hix, Miss Neuhart, Miss Porterfield and Mrs. Miller



Preschool Paras-Mrs. Kohr, Mrs. Whitaker, Mrs. Szelestey, Ms. Clary, Mrs Garman, Mrs. Garrett and Mrs. Cochran



Mrs. Miller's students have been reading the book "Not a Box". They used their imaginations to transform a box into their own unique creations!



Miss Porterfield's class started their unit on trees by making observational drawings of trees outside and measuring the length of various tree parts.



Miss Neuhart's preschool class just started learning about trees this past week. Students loved exploring while at the tree house dramatic play center!



Miss Hix's class is making "scissor salad" to practice fine motor skills, color identification, and sharing!





Kindergarten and First Grade Teachers-Mrs. Hoops, Mrs. Statzer, Mrs. Sewell, Mrs. Maiken, Mrs. Hardy and Mrs. Brubaker



Kindergarten and First Grade Paras -Mrs. Knoth and Mrs. French

In Kindergarten, the students are working as authors to create sentences that match their pictures!



In first grade, the students have been working hard during their Shared Reading Block. Partner reading is one of their favorites! It is a great way for the students to enhance comprehension, build confidence, support fluency, and help their abilities to listen and cooperate with others.

