4th Grade Weekly News

November 16th, 2026

Pre-Arranged Absences

Thank you for using the pre-arranged absence form on our website when you know in advance that your student will miss school. It helps us plan ahead, and it ensures that *all* staff (including specials teachers) are notified. Please provide teachers with a minimum of 24-hour notice if you plan to pick up make-up work in the office.

East Campus Food Drive

We will continue collecting non-perishable food items until Friday, November 20th. This is an opportunity, led by students and parents, to support those in our community who are in need. Students have one more week to drop items off in the atrium. Most needed items are dry pasta, canned fruits and veggies, cereal, and baby formula. Thank you for participating.

Curriculum

Spelling— This week's test will cover List 9 and Rule 17.

> **[RULE 17: We often double l, f, and s following a single vowel at the end of a one-syllable word (will, off, miss) "floss rule"].**

Math – Our chapter six math test will be on Friday, 11/20. In chapter seven, we will begin to add and subtract fractions.

Writing –This week we will complete a scaffold (partially independent), writing an informative paragraph on the layers of the earth. We have begun adding www.asia.b clauses to our work. Ask your student about this acronym!

Reading – We continue to enjoy *Misty of Chincoteague* during literature and *The Hobbit* during read-aloud.

Grammar – In week eleven of Fix-It Grammar, we will expose some imposters! These are words ending in -ly that are actually adjectives (not adverbs).

Poetry- Informal recitations of "Monday's Child" will take place on Thursday, 11/19. Gold copies were sent home.

History – We are continuing in our unit on *Islam and Africa*.

Science –Our students have enjoyed using microscopes to study plant and animal cells. This week's lessons will focus on how a plant's structure is related to its function. Be sure to ask your student about the celery experiment!

Important Dates

Friday, Nov. 20th

academic progress reports

(teachers send via email)

Titan Buddies

Nov. 23rd—27th

Thanksgiving Break

Friday, Dec. 4th

NO SCHOOL

literacy testing by appointment

Wednesday, Dec. 9th

3rd/4th CONCERT

2:00 pm

(new gym)

Friday, Dec. 11th

Titan Buddy caroling

(atrium, 1st/4th grades @ 9:00)

holiday hat day

Friday, Dec. 18th

holiday sweater day

classroom parties

"An observant child should be put in the way of things worth observing."
~Charlotte Mason