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First Grade Newsletter

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Core Virtues Foundation

Core Virtues:

Wonder: Stop and say: "Wow!" to delight in beauty and mystery

Gratitude: Thankfulness for the gift of life and the gifts of life



11/23 – 11/27 Thanksgiving Break

11/30 Bookfair Begins

12/9-12/11 Book Fair Shopping

12/11 Ice Cream Social

What we are learning the week of: Nov. 30 - Dec. 4

English Language Arts

Phonics: review /oi/ /ou/ /ow/ /oo/

Intro /aw/

Reading: Fluency Pyramids & Readers that align with our sounds

Grammar: /ed/, past tense verbs

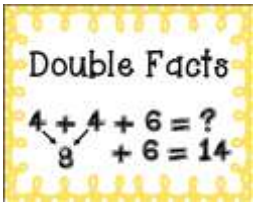
Review common and proper nouns

Writing: Editing sentences

Core Knowledge Poems and Stories!

Math

Students will continue to add three numbers together. This week we spend times reviewing finding two numbers that equal ten and then count on. Students will review their doubles facts as well.



Please practice your bath facts at home. Students are moving into the 1-minute club and/or switching back and forth between addition and subtraction.

Listening & Learning

We are flying to the middle east and learning about the Incas!

Students will be working on the following skills;

- Who, what, when, where?
- Acting out different scenes from our lessons



Core Knowledge is #1!

We get it done with fun!!

Hands-on, Right on! Integrated Science, Social Studies, Math, and Language Arts!

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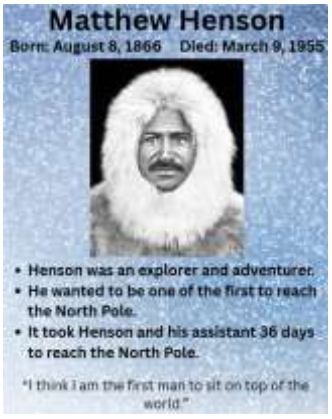
Important information for: Nov. 30 - Dec. 4

Core Knowledge

Students will be listening to Pied Piper and The Boy and the Dike.

Students will build on their sequencing and comparing and contrasting skills. Students have been enjoying the different stories and activities!

Our New American Hero



CCS Bookfair is Back!!

On Dec. 2nd and 3rd, your child will visit the book fair and create a wish list. This list will come home for you to see!

Shopping Days:

Dec. 9th Chrislu
Dec. 10th Brady
Dec. 11th Both Classes

Dec. 11th is also our Ice Cream Social! Parents may buy books and there will be FREE ice cream!

5-7 pm in the CCS Cafeteria!

Reminders

- Please provide a healthy snack for your child.
- Homework menus go home on Friday and due the following Friday.
- Spelling Tests are every other week. We strive for mastery!

Thank you for your support!



Sight Words

off, play, spell, air, away, animal, house, point, page, letter

Write each sight word on a flashcard and put them up around your house! Then shut the lights off and walk around with a flashlight!