Miss Bisceglia’s Class Newsletter

September 14, 2017

**Important Dates:**

September 16- School Spruce Up

September 21- Farm Stand

September 22- Eagle Run

September 29- Picture Day

September 29- Class Store

October 5- PTA Meeting

October 6- First Friday

October 20- Fall Festival

**Home Visits**

I sent home a purple form with dates and times for home visits last week. I was not able to get it into Thursday Folders on time, so it went home on Friday. Please let me know if you did not receive one and are interested. I will be happy to send a new one home. I will be sending home visit conformations later this week. I am really looking forward to joining some families at sporting events and getting to know my students and families better!

**Homework**

Our Time for Kids magazines have finally arrived! Our first issue will be sent home in Thursday Folders. Students will get a magazine with **TWO** worksheets attached. One worksheet will be multiple choice questions about the articles in the magazine. The other worksheet will practice a reading skill. This week the skill is **Main Idea and Details.** Students will have one week to complete the packet. Reading homework is due back the following Thursday. Students are welcome to hand it in early if they have it completed before Thursday. Please keep the magazine at home. The magazines are the students to keep once they have completed their assignments.

**In Class Transitions**

The class as a whole has been struggling with quickly and efficiently transitioning from subject to subject throughout the day. We have been practicing to hopefully make them quick so that we are making the most of our learning time. As a class, we have talked about in our class meetings about how all students need to pitch in when getting the classroom cleaned up and ready for the next subject. Please encourage you students to help by getting their supplies for each subject quickly and quietly so we are not wasting time in our day waiting for everyone to be ready.

**Eagle Run**

The Eagle Run will be held on September 22nd. Last year we raised money for Edison that helped directly in the classroom by providing Chrome Books so we can have 1 to 1 computers for students. This year we are hoping for another great turn out. Students are encouraged to get pledges from friends and family. Nothing is due until after students have completed their laps on September 22nd. Please only hand in the bottom section of the form if you DO NOT want your child to participate in the event. Our class voted and our team name is **The Sonic Speed.** The class has set an ambitious goal of about 20 laps a piece for a **class total of 520 laps.**

**Book Order**

I placed the book order on Friday. The books usually arrive within a week and I will give them to students as soon as they arrive. Thank you to everyone who ordered books this time. We had so many books ordered that Scholastic gave me $40 worth of FREE books for the classroom library as well as a FREE book for EVERY student in the class. I also received a bunch of bonus points that I can use to buy even more book for the classroom library. Another book order will go home in Thursday Folders in October.

**Class Store Donations**

We will be having our next Class Store on September 29th. The students are very excited to purchase items using the class money they have earned at school. To help keep the store exciting and desirable to students I need your help. Donations of small items from the Dollar section or Dollar tree are always popular. If you are unsure what students would be interested in donations of a gift card to Target or Wal-Mart are great as well. Gently used items from home can also be donated and are big hits with the kids. Thank you to those who have already made donations. Thank you in advance for any future donations.

**Volunteers**

Parents I am still looking for parent help for copying and reading with students. If you are unable to commit to weekly volunteering please let me know in what ways you are interested in helping out in or out of the classroom. I will be sending out another sign up genius in the next few weeks for parents to sign up for specific baked items for the bake sale and shifts for the concession stand.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eada829aafc1-4thgrade>

**Instagram**

Check out some cool stuff we are doing in the classroom by visiting our class Instagram @Edisonroom215.

Next Week:

Reading: Love that Dog- Poetry Unit Focusing on how a character changes throughout the story and elements of poetry

Math: Adding and Subtracting Large Numbers

Science: Forms of Energy ThingLink posters

Writing: Personal Narrative- A Time Someone Helped Me

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