

RNE FOURTH GRADE

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 20, 2017

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transportation Changes

If your child has a change in transportation please **be sure to send in a written note.** We are not allowed to accept email transportation changes. All transportation changes must have a parent signature. If there is an emergency last second change, please contact the office. Very often teachers do not get to their emails until after the students have left the building.

Curriculum Night

Thursday August 23rd 6:30 p.m.

Friday Folders

Friday folders have been hole punched and are in your child's binder. Please check for important papers. **If your child has any graded papers, please be sure to sign and return on Monday.**

Technology Fair

This year RNE will host its very first Tech Fair! This student technology competition gives students a chance to showcase their skills in 14 different tech areas. If you are interested please see go to the media center webpage for more information. <https://rnemediacenter.weebly.com/clubs.html>

Headphones

Please make sure that your child has headphones or earbuds in their backpacks. We will be doing many activities that require their use.

MATH

Ms. Arnold

On Level

We will be working on reading and writing multi-digit whole numbers using base-ten numerals, number names, and expanded form. We will also compare two multi-digit numbers based on meanings of the digits in each place, using $>$, $=$, and $<$ symbols to record the results of comparisons. We will have a quiz on Friday on these concepts.

Accelerated

We will be working on using parentheses, brackets, or braces in numerical expressions, and evaluate expressions with these symbols, known as order of operations. We will be having a quiz on this concept on Friday.

Mrs. Hayes

On Level

We are working on our first 4th grade unit. This week and next week we're focusing on ordering, comparing and rounding numbers to the millions. We will have a quiz next Friday, August 24th. I will send home a study guide/practice sheet next week.

Advanced

We did review work this week and will begin Unit 4 on Fractions next week. Please make sure your son/daughter comes to me if they have any questions or concerns. I am available during homeroom and will also have working lunches at least one day a week.

SCIENCE

This week in science we studied Water's Three States. The students learned about the three states of water, and how it is used in each state. Next week we are learning about water's journey and understanding what paths water takes in the water cycle.

Reading and Language Arts

Reading:

Unit One- Fiction

This week in reading, we learned strategies to choose books that are the 'right fit' for us. We learned how to correctly read with stamina during private reading time and how to read intensely to better comprehend. We also began reading our mentor text, *The Tiger Rising*, by Kate DiCamillo and learned how to take thoughtful notes in our reading response notebook. We discussed each character introduced in the story and important events taking place.

Next week, we will continue to read our mentor text *The Tiger Rising*, continue to practice reading with stamina, and focus on jotting notes in our reading response notebook.

Writing:

Unit One- Narrative

This week in writing, we learned how to brainstorm and generate ideas for narratives. We focused on what good writers do when planning a story. We also developed a character for our story focusing on internal and external traits. We had one-on-one teacher/student conferences to help keep our writing on track.

Next week, we will continue working on our narrative stories. We will organize our ideas using a story mountain graphic organizer and will begin drafting scenes. We'll continue to meet in teacher/student conferences to build ideas and strengthen our writing.