



**Mrs. Reeb's and Mrs. Schneeberger's
Turtle and Trout Newsletter
April 21st, 2017**

Here are our objectives for next week:

Reading

- I can follow agreed-upon rules for discussions.
- I can determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text.
- I can ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
- I can describe the relationship between historical events in a text using sequential language.
- I can determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific phrases in a grade level text.
- I can identify real-life connections between words and their uses.
- I can use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root.
- I can decode multisyllable words.
- I can read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

Writing/Language Arts

- I can write narratives to develop imagined experiences using descriptive details.
- I can use descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and show the characters' responses to situations.
- I can write explanatory texts to convey information clearly.
- I can introduce a topic and group related information together.
- I can expand vocabulary by adding inflectional endings and suffixes.
- I can explain the function of adverbs in general and in particular sentences.
- I can form and use adverbs correctly.
- I can identify, form, and use comparative adjectives.
- I can proofread sentences for mechanics and usage errors.
- I can use spelling patterns and generalizations when writing words.

Math Focus: Measurement

- I can determine time intervals to solve problems.
- Review telling time and time duration.
- I can work backward to solve problems.
- Chapter Review--Test Monday, May 1st
- Review telling time and time duration.

Other News:

- **Snow Day MakeUp:** June 8th will be a FULL day of school. Our last day of school, June 9th, will still be a half day.
- **Supplies Needed:** The Turtle and Trout classrooms are in need of glue sticks, pencil top erasers, and extra headphones. The Turtle classroom is in need of kleenex and clorox wipes. Thank you in advance!
- **M-Step Testing:** Third Graders will be taking the State of MI M-Step Test. The test will be done on the Chromebooks and will be a differentiated test based on how your child answers each question. Students will have the opportunity to move through the test until the test tells them that they are done. In the past, students could be done after an hour and some students will take longer. We have been practicing taking tests on the Chromebooks throughout the school year. Students will be taking the English/Language Arts Test on May 16th and 17th and the Math Test on May 23rd and 24th. Please DO NOT plan any appointments for your child during these 4 days...thanks for your support!
- **Sign-Up Genius:** We will be sending out a sign-up genius email for parents to sign up to send in snacks, gum and hard candy for students on M-Step days. Please be on the lookout for this email. Thanks Parents!!

Important Upcoming Dates:

- May 5th-ACES Day in the morning (All Children Exercise Simultaneously)
- May 16, 17, 23, 24th: M-Step Testing
- May 26-29th: NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day
- June 2nd: Wacky Olympics, more information to come
- June 8th: FULL Day of School
- June 9th: Half Day, Last Day of School!