



**Mrs. Reeb's and Mrs. Schneeberger's
Turtle and Trout Newsletter
November 22nd, 2016**

Happy Thanksgiving!

Here's The Plan for Next Week:

Reading

Readers will read multiple texts centered around the theme of protecting our environment. They will practice identifying cause and effect and using informational text features. Readers will use context clues to figure out the meaning of words with more than one meaning.

Writing

Students will begin the week by finishing up their research. They will then use their organized notes to begin drafting their report.

Grammar and Spelling

Students will work on forming and using past tense verbs, and using commas in a series. Our spelling words will focus on -ur, -ir, -or, -er, and -ear chunks.

Math Focus: Multiplication

Mathematicians will begin a unit on geometry. They will explore angles of 2 dimensional figures, and describe and classify polygons, triangles, and quadrilaterals. They will also be able to describe the shared attributes of quadrilaterals.

Social Studies Focus: Michigan

Explorers read Michigan chapter four in their books. They will be able to explain how the war for Independence changed Michigan, and also how the war of 1812 changed lives for Native Americans in Michigan.

Science

Scientists will begin their forces and motion unit. They will make observations of an object's motion, and use their observations to predict the motion of another object.

Other News:

- **Needed Supplies:** We are in need of the following supplies: erasable pens, pencils, glue sticks, composition notebooks and plastic post-it tabs. Any donations would be greatly appreciated!
- **PTO Fundraising Project:** Mrs. Reeb is looking for parent volunteers to help with the PTO fundraising project, "Denim and Black Tie." A letter explaining the project was sent home this week, and can be found on our website. We have decided to go the theme of Michigan, and will be creating a class quilt with students' hands as the shape of Michigan for each quilt block. We are in need of volunteers to help with putting the handprints on the quilt blocks, and of anyone with sewing skills to help piece together the quilt. Please contact her if you would like more information and are interested in volunteering.

THE BIG ZOO LESSON!

The Big Zoo lesson is Monday, December 12th-Friday, December 16th. We will be at the zoo everyday! A permission slip was sent home with your child today. Please return this as soon as possible, and no later than Friday, December 2nd. If you would like your child to order a sack lunch from the office, please indicate on the form which days you will be ordering.

We are still accepting volunteers for the week. We are in need of more volunteers on Tuesday and Wednesday.

★We are looking for a few parents to begin putting our notebooks together. This project can be done at school or at home. If you are able to help in any way, please contact us.

