

# NEILSON NEWS

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## Reminders

- **FIELD TRIP IS TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15.**

## Important Dates

### This week::

- 10/15 - FIELD TRIP
- 10/16 - Library Books Due
- 10/17 - Fun Lunch - Subway
- 10/17 - Spelling Test Sight Word Review (10 words)

### Coming Up:

- 10/30 - Halloween Parade & Party
- 10/30 - PM No School

## Happy Birthday!

- None in October

## Star Student Schedule

- 10/20 - Virginia Gearhart

## NEILSON NOTES

Our seeds are growing! We are very excited every day when we come in and see our roots and shoots taking off. Most of our plants are shedding their seed coats. We will continue to observe our seed bags this week and then they will be sent home. You can re-plant the seedlings at home or hang bags in the windows and watch them continue to grow.



Our habitats have inhabitants! We received our pill bugs and millipedes last week. Our new friends are feasting on apples and enjoying their new home especially built by our class. Ask your child about the layers of the habitat. We started with gravel, layered leaf matter, then soil. On top of soil we placed bark, moss, sticks and some of our seed coats. The millipedes are enjoying their new homes. Students will be able to hold the millipedes this week. We always wear gloves!

Also, arriving this week are our Guppies! Our aquariums are set up ready and anxiously awaiting the snails, guppies and aquatic plants.

**READING ROTATIONS**

Starting next week the students will be rotating in centers Monday through Thursday. The centers are Reading to Self/Reading to Someone, Word Work, Listening Station, Computer and iPad programs and meet with Mrs. Neilson.

**Spelling**

No spelling packet this week. Please have your child practice the High Frequency Words being sent home tonight. On Friday your child will have an assessment on how many words they can read correctly and a spelling test on 10 selected words. The ten words will be 2 from each lesson but they will not be published prior to test.

**Reading Buddies**

Starting this week:  
 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.  
 Thursday - Karen Goldberg  
 Thursday - Victoria Silveira  
 1st Friday - Kathryn Iammartino  
 2nd Friday - Genevieve Liederman  
**Still looking for Fridays.**

**FIELD TRIP TOMORROW - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15!**

Chaperones - **Mr. Colucci, Ms. Brown, and Mrs. Goldberg**  
 Please dress your child appropriately for the weather! Dress in layers, we will be outside for part of the field trip and the wind can be gusty. **A disposable lunch will be needed on this day. See addition note attached.**

**READING**

We are reviewing Lessons 1-5 for Journey's this week. We will focus on High Frequency Words, Grammar (capital at the beginning of the sentence, punctuation at the end of a sentence) and adjectives (describing words). Small groups will be starting their leveled books with me and I will start assessing for fluency. **No "Bag-It" books this week. Look for them on Monday.**

**WRITING**

In addition to our daily journal, we will start writing another small moment story, a "How to" on carving a pumpkin, a information piece on what we learned about bats and a entertaining story about a ghost. In October, we will be working on capitalization and punctuation, using the word wall and developing our entries to tell a complete story.

**MATH**

This week we are starting on add to with change unknown word problems. Students will have to model with materials and write corresponding number sentences. Math homework will be given on Tuesday and Thursday only this week.

The fast finishers will start working on daily math centers. Rotations will include TenMarks, IXL, word and logic math pages and games.

**SAFETY ASSEMBLY**

Students watched a presentation on fire, bike, car, train, gun, and street crossing safety. It would be great if you discussed what they learned at the assembly and and give them an outside meeting place in case of a fire. :)



