

REACH News!

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Family Connection:

REACH Students – want to earn some tickets? Solve this brainteaser at home with a parent, write down the answer and have them sign. Bring it in on your next REACH day and get some tickets!!

Four coins are laying in a row. Use the clues to find their order.

- The dime is to the left of the nickel.
- The quarter is the farthest to the left.
- The penny is right of the nickel.
- The coin to the right of the quarter is not a nickel.

Important Dates:

Jan. 3-18 - 1st Grade Referrals
Jan. 21 - MLK Holiday!
Jan. 22 - Report Cards
Feb. 18 - 22 - Holidays!!!
Mar. 1 - 2 - 4th & 5th Grade Trip
Mar. 3 - 7 - Auction Week
Mar. 17-28 - K Referrals

Be on the Look-out:

Those students and parents attending the Fortson overnight trip will have a meeting after our February holidays!

Date and time to be announced!

NEEDED ART / PROJECT ITEMS:

- sandpaper
- paper plates (small and large)
- Scotch (or any clear) tape
- Unused “old” checks (if you moved, etc. and the account is inactive, you can definitely mark through any info – we just rather have real ones to use ☺)
- small plastic cups
- cereal boxes (again ☺)
- buckets or dish pans

WANT SOME COOL CHALLENGES?

Go to www.ikeepbookmarks.com/paula_corley

Click on the Brainteasers and Games Folder and enjoy!

This 9 weeks, I suggest “Car Game” (some of you may know it as Rush Hour)!!

Next Auction: Week of March 3 – 7!

WHAT'S GOIN' ON IN REACH?

1st Grade: We just started our exciting simulation unit called Kid Town! By popular vote, our town is named Happy Hideout (how appropriate because of the loft ☺). We have tons of stores that we named, created items to sell and price lists, plus the store fronts (colored folders). During the 3rd and 4th nine weeks, your child will apply for jobs, work at the stores, earn a paycheck, be able to spend his/her money, keep a balance of his/her money, vote for a mayor, as well as having many mini-lessons along the way!

2nd Grade: Right before the holidays, we started a unit called "Bound to be Round." In this unit, we will be doing different experiments using the scientific method, learning new math concepts like circumference and diameter, and using a lot of creative writing. Of course, all of these concepts will tie into our topic of round objects! We have tons of neat activities planned, so make sure to ask your child about them!

3rd Grade: Our castles turned out great! Now, we are moving on to another really awesome unit! For the rest of the year, we will be doing "Expressionism." In this unit, we explore various forms of expression with a focus on art and various art periods. Your child will get the opportunity to learn about famous artists and create artwork in that same style. This is always such a fun unit and we hope the students learn many things - not only the various art periods, but also that you do not have to be good at drawing to be an artist!

4th Grade: What fun we had with mystery and the students really got involved in their Multiple Intelligences Project! If you would like to find out your multiple intelligences, go to www.mitest.com to try it out!

We will be working on a "Survival" unit this nine weeks. We will not only learn about survival techniques, but also natural disasters, oceanography, and endangered species through a simulation called S.O.S. We are looking forward to our ecology field trip.

5th Grade: We had tons of excitement with bridge building (mostly, with the bridge breaking part ☺). The rest of the year, we will be switching between REACH teachers. Each REACH teacher will be teaching a different unit, but all students will get the benefit of learning both! Mrs. Corley will be teaching a "Money Matters" unit that will include the Stock Market Game, advertising, and various forms of finance. Mrs. Puschaver will be teaching science and "Survival" through a simulation called S.O.S. This will go along with our March field trip! She will also be reading a novel relating to the "Money Matters" unit. We want to add that because we are switching, our daily schedule may be more cramped than usual, so please forgive us if we are not able to be as detailed with our feedback on the tally sheets. We will definitely try our best to get them filled out each week!!