3rd grade

October Newsletter



Please keep the Cromie Chronicle in a safe place to refer to important school dates and upcoming events. It is very important that your child empty out & bring their home folder to and from school every day!

**Reading & Writing:**

* In Reading, we will focus on the parts of fiction and nonfiction text, looking at the features in both. We will also begin pulling reading groups.
* In Writing, we will continue to work on our first unit: Personal Narrative. Following that, we will start a unit on writing Nonfiction.

**Spelling/Word Work:**

* Words Their Way groups have been established and word work is underway.
* Please note that on Friday, for now, all groups will be taking a multiple-choice spell check. You will receive a note home when your child switches from this test type to a spelling test.

**Math:**

* Adding Whole Numbers which places an emphasis of using a hundreds chart, rounding, and adding 2- and 3-digit numbers through algorithm, open number line, and use of place value.
* Following this, we will move on to Subtraction of 2- and 3-digit whole numbers.
* **Please make sure to review addition and subtraction facts with your student!**

**Social Studies**:

* We are currently focusing on Science at this time.
* Upon completion of our Science unit, we will begin our first Social Studies unit on Geography.

**Science**:

* We will continue working on our unit in Earth and Me.
* Key vocabulary for this unit include; Natural Resources, Renewable Resources, Nonrenewable resources, landslides, volcanos, and earthquakes.
* Our **first test will be on Wednesday, October 4th**. You will see a study guide come home 2 days before. Please make sure to study with your child, so that they are prepared for the test.

**Halloween:**

* Cromie will be holding their Halloween parade on **Friday, October 27th**. This is a ½ day of school, so all activities will happen in the morning. **Costumes can ONLY be worn to school on this day**. (Read below to see what to wear on Halloween.)
* Our classroom will have a celebration following the parade.
  + If you would like to donate something to our party, you can send it with your child on the morning of Friday, October 27th.
  + If you won’t have time to shop, but would still like to donate, you can also send in $2 and I can purchase anything we may need for the party. If you choose to send in money, please send it with your child by Wednesday, October 25th.
* **Students are asked to only wear black and orange on Tuesday, October 31st**. Halloween costumes **WILL NOT** be allowed on Tuesday, October 31st.

**Important Dates and Information:**

* Fun Run will be on Friday, October 13th, make sure your child wears their gym shoes
* As checked work begins to come home this week, please note that anything with a % at the top is graded work. If you (or your child) are unsatisfied with their grade, they are able to FIX & RETURN it one time for a higher grade. The final grade will be an average of the 2 grades. If you have questions, please ask!
* If you plan to volunteer in our classroom or school (i.e. chaperones, classroom helper if/when needed, etc…), you must fill out a background check form and attach a copy of your ID. If you need a copy, please put a note in your child’s folder and I will get one to you. You also need to view the 2 training videos listed at the bottom of the form. Background checks are not approved until the videos have been watched.

**Email/phone message**: Occasionally we are pulled out of the classroom for various meetings and trainings. Please contact the office if you need to get a message to your child on that day.

Thank you for your continued support,

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