

Mrs. Armstrong's Newsletter

September 2017

# Welcome Back to School!



Thank you all for your help with a wonderful beginning to our school year! The kids have been coming to class excited and ready to learn. I am excited to work with your children this year!

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## Communication Arts

We have been learning about the Reading Community in our classroom. We have read and discussed many books already and have had some great book chats. We have learned several strategies for talking about our books, such as the "Think, Pair, Share" strategy. The students have been reading out of independent books to become better readers. Next month we will begin book groups and our study of nonfiction texts.

## Science

We have spent the past two weeks learning the steps of the Scientific Method. The students have participated in several experiments. Ask your child about our density experiment with water, oil, soap, and syrup. Also, ask your child which brand of paper towel is the most absorbent. After testing over the Scientific Method, we will switch to Social Studies to study Geography skills.

## Important Dates:

Sept. 1	Early Release
Sept. 4	No School (Labor Day)
Sept. 8	Mid Term
Sept. 22	Early Release (Homecoming)
Sept. 29	No School (PD Day)

## Mathematics

We began our year with a review of Place Value up to the billions. We also learned about decimal place value. We will be spending more time studying decimals next month. We will learn how to add and subtract using decimals.

