

Happiness is...

First

Grade

October

Homework Assignments

Remember to read every night however; if your child is bringing home the same book daily in their Reading Folder, you may let them know that it is wonderful to have favorite book, but try to bring home a new one more frequently.

If you continue to see the same book coming home after you have spoken with your child, please jot me a quick note. The students choose the books on their own and I may not always catch what is going into their Reading Folder.

Math

We are writing numerals from 1 to 120 while also practicing working with tens and ones with cubes and bars.

For example:



We will continue to work on addition and subtraction facts up to 20. This is an all year goal so flash cards can be helpful throughout the school year.

Content

We had 5 out of the 6 caterpillars turn into butterflies. Have your child to tell you about the life cycle and the pigment of the butterfly. Also, ask them if a moth or butterfly has a cocoon or chrysalis.

Dates To Remember

October 11th – Picture Retakes

October 6th – Field trip to the Kansas City Zoo!

October 17th - Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7

October 19th – Early Release P/T Conferences 3-7

October 20th – No School

October 26th – Fall Festival 6-7pm

October 27th – Halloween Party 1:30

Author Study

We have been studying the authors David Shannon, Mike Thaler and Robert Munsch. Check out these website for some fun activities to do at home.

www.nodavidshannon.com

www.mikethaler.com

www.robertmunsch.com

Writing

We are beginning to read and discuss what a “small moment” looks and sounds like in writing. Narratives or “small moments” are our focus during our writers’ workshop time.

What is narrative writing?

It tells a story (a small moment of time), it can be real or make believe, it has characters, a setting and a beginning, middle and end. Narrative writing also has sequential order (first, next, last).