

JANUARY

Mrs. Maticic's Weekly Newsletter

1/16-1/18

CLASSROOM UPDATE:

Welcome back! Next week in math, students will review the four steps of the cubes strategy which are as follows:

1. Circle key numbers
2. Underline the question
3. Box "action" words (+, -, x, /)
4. Evaluate steps
5. Solve and check (Is the answer reasonable?)

We will also work with protractors and measure degree units in angles.

In ELA, students will learn about descriptive text structures, such as in the informational text *The Life and Times of the Ant*. We will create a descriptive web graphic organizer and actively participate in Text Talk, together.

In science, students will become meteorologists as they begin to research and chart weather patterns. Students will present their findings in small groups to their classmates.

SPELLING LIST

funnier, families, pennies, worried, replied, varied, marries, carries, easily, silliest, jumpier, emptier, merrier, applied, cozily, sorriest, prettily, lazier, happiest, dizziest, scaring, tasting, skipped, handily, factories

Homework

Due Monday:

The Life and Times of the Ant
Weekly Story Graphic Organizer
National Park Multiplication (2-digit by 2-digit)

Weekly:

Practice Spelling Words
Complete Unfinished Math Problems
Read Nightly for Weekly 100+ Min. Goal
"Kick-It" Multiplication Fact Fluency Practice

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IMPORTANT DATES:

- January 15th: Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)

ASK YOUR CHILD...

What is theme in literature and why is it important? Ask your child to define and provide examples of themes.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- water bottles
- pencils
- tissues
- clorox wipes

Thank you!