

5th Grade Cardinal Directions

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* October 13th
Barnes and Noble
Night 6-8

* October 15th
End of the 1st
Quarter

* October 16th
No School

* October 21st
Skating Party

Have a wonderful
week!



Thursday marks the end of the first quarter and what a whirlwind it has been. It seems like school just started! Last week a student said to me, "The days at school go so fast." I feel exactly the same way. They fly by! I guess time flies when we're learning and having fun. I am really enjoying your children. I love seeing them excited about what we are doing and learning. Thank you for sharing them with me.

Last week the kids wowed me on a couple different occasions. After reading John Henry the students participated in Socratic Circles to discuss what they had read. Their diplomacy and insight were profound. The students led the discussion and I stood back and marveled. It was amazing! I was also impressed with the students' sportsmanship as we ran the mile. They were constantly encouraging each other along the way.

Reading: Nature's Fury Theme:
Shared Reading-

We will wrap up Tall Tales this week. Mrs. Eaton will teach a lesson comparing similes and metaphors.

Literature Circles-

We will wrap up the current novels this week.

Math: We are working on geometry this week. We will study polygons, triangles, and tessellations. Geometry is so much fun! The kids are enjoying the hands on math!

Science: We will review Monday for a test on Wednesday over chapter 11: Climate and Weather Patterns.

Social Studies: Test Monday

Spelling Words

1. square
2. moment
3. teacher
4. happily
5. angrily
6. easily
7. heavily
8. friendly
9. produce
10. common
11. explained
12. opened
13. visitor
14. against
15. builder

CHALLENGE WORDS:

16. tessellation
17. triangle
18. polygon
19. exaggerated
20. protractor

On Friday notes went home regarding parent teacher conferences. They were printed on yellow paper. You will find your conference time there. Please respond to confirm your scheduled time as soon as possible so that I can finalize my conference schedule. I am looking forward to meeting with you.