

Corbitt Connection

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January Resource Schedule

P.E. 7th, 15th, 17th & 31st

Music: 16th & 30th

Art: 28th

“Winter” DRAs

I am beginning DRAs this week and I will send home the updated levels as soon as they are complete. ☺

Timed Multiplication Quizzes

This week we will begin our timed multiplication quizzes. We will be working through the facts. On the last day of each week your child will take a timed quiz. Once your child scores 100% on the quizzed fact he/she will move on to the next set of facts as we work our way to the 12's facts.

“What Can I Do at Home?”

As we are quickly approaching the end of the 2nd nine weeks I wanted to remind you of our book goal. In order to stay on track your child needs to have read and responded to 7 (or more) books on his/her reading level this nine weeks by Thursday, January 17th. This week's tip is to make sure that your child has done the 3 Rs. The 3 Rs are Reading, Responding, Returning, (**reading** for a minimum of thirty minutes each day at home, **responding** to the book read by answering the questions according to the book's genre, and then **returning** that response to school).

This week the students will also have a timed test on the 2's in multiplication. This does count as a quiz grade each week so please make sure these are being practiced every night! Don't forget your child can use the website Math Magician located on our “Links” page as a great way to practice these math facts.

Important Dates to Remember

January 9	Early Dismissal @ 1:45 p.m.
January 17	End of the 2 nd 9 weeks
January 18	No School- Teacher Day
January 21	No School-Dr. MLK Jr. Day

What's Hoppin' Academically

Reader's Workshop

This week we will piggyback on to Author's Purpose as we learn about Author's Viewpoint. Author's Viewpoint is the same as the author's opinion, which is how the author feels about the subject or person in the text.

Writer's Workshop

This week we will continue to work on the procedural/functional writing (how to) genre.

Skills Block

This week the students will get a new word of the week to help build their vocabulary. We have two more suffixes to learn -able (meaning able to be) and -ness (meaning full of). We will continue learning our lowercase cursive letters. Last, but not least, spelling is back and words are coming home today for the Jan. 17th test.

Math

This week we will continue our geometry and measurement unit. We will focus on triangles, quadrilaterals, and how we can combine and separate shapes to make new shapes, forms, and figures. Your child will also be bringing home several vocabulary sheets. Please keep these sheets in a safe place as your child is responsible for learning all of these words. We are also going to begin timed multiplication quizzes this week. On Friday, we will have our first timed multiplication tests on the 2's.

Science

We are still learning about matter. We did not get to science last week.

Social Studies

We are still not quite ready to return to social studies, but we will be ready soon.

Homework Schedule

Monday: Math *

Tuesday: Math *

Wednesday: Spelling *

Thursday: Math *

*EACH night your child should also read for a minimum of **30 minutes** and practice the 2's multiplication facts.