

Corbitt Connection

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September Resource Schedule

Music: 6th, 17th & 27th

P.E.: 7th, 11th, 19th & 28th

Art: 14th

Form Request

Either at orientation or on the first day of school, each child was given a large envelope containing many very important papers. If you have not already done so please be sure to read, fill out completely, and return all the forms inside the given envelope.

Homework Schedule

Monday: Math (greater numbers) *

Tuesday: Math (comparing numbers)*

Wednesday: Math (ordering numbers)*

Thursday: Math (addition/subtraction story problems) *

* 20 Minutes of independent reading

"What Can I Do at Home?"

I am starting this weekly box in order to keep you in touch with what I am doing, as well as, list a few suggestions that you can try at home to ensure that your child is successful at school.

Homework begins today. Each night your child is expected to read for at least 20 minutes (which should be recorded in your child's planner) as well as complete and return the math sheet/activity. This week's tip is to encourage you to help your child establish a routine for homework including a time and place. Homework is a great way to reinforce the skills that we are working on at school. Thank you in advance for ensuring that your child is successful in school! ☺

Important Dates to Remember

Today	Homework Begins ☺
September 3	Labor Day, No School
September 5	Early Dismissal @ 1:45 p.m.
September 13	Open House @ 7:00 p.m.

What's Hoppin' Academically

Reader's Workshop

Third grade is the year where your child will grow deeper as a reader. It is important that your child is able to find a "just right" book so that he/she can work on his/her comprehension. I am currently in the process of completing DRAs (Developmental Reading Assessments) so that I can determine your child's reading level. I will be sure to pass the information along to you once I have completed gathering all of the data.

Writer's Workshop

This year your child will learn about, and work in six writing genres. Our first genre study will be the narrative (story) genre. This will be an in depth study and sure to be a lot of fun!

Skills Block

During our skills block time we will continue to review the spelling of the 100 most frequently used words. We will also work with several skills that your child may already be familiar with including short/long vowels, syllables, and looking at root words.

Math

This year in math, your child will be learning lots of new concepts. Last week the students took a placement test to help me establish the areas of strength and weakness. We also began working with standard form, expanded form, and word form. We are increasing our place value knowledge up to the hundred thousands place! This week we will focus on comparing and ordering 6-digit numbers as well as adding and subtracting numbers from algorithms and story problems.

Social Studies

We are starting off social studies by learning about communities. One of our main focuses this week will be on learning about the similarities and differences between urban, rural, and suburban communities.