



4/5 Multiage Superstars!

April 2, 2012

Feltwell Elementary School, England

Where everyone's a star!

WEEKLY FEATURES



You are a star in Mrs. Griffis's Class!

MATH

Envision Math: Rotations, Congruence, Review

Mad Minute Multiplication: I'd like for the students to become even quicker with their multiplication facts, especially before going to the middle school where they are expected to know the facts **immediately**.

Homework: I'd like for students to spend at least 10-15 minutes every night going over the facts they don't know as well. (Please do not waste time on the ones that you know.)

Smart Response Quizzes: Students will be taking their Mad Minute Quizzes on the Smart Response system, which is a new individual portable answering device that our class recently received. I will give students 5 seconds to record their answer in Smart Response before going to the next, so students need to keep this in mind when studying. I will be taking grades from these quizzes.

READING

Monthly Book Pick:

We are now reading Mr. Tucket by Gary Paulsen, Lexile level 830. We will have nightly assigned reading. Students are welcome to read ahead; however, they need to be current with what we are covering each week, since we will have weekly comprehension tests and activities to go along with our assigned reading.

GRAMMAR

Caught 'Ya Grammar:

Focus: commas in a series, commas after a conjunction (if there are two independent sentences on each side), introductory phrase, commas with quotations, along with other previously taught skills.

WRITING

Polish & Publish: "Did You Know" books will be bound this Wednesday. Here is the Authors' Tea schedule, which will be held the week after Spring Break:

Wed. April 18th 10:00 -11:15
10:00-10:15 Abbie, Adam, Aja
10:15-10:30 Alexis, Ashlyn, Avery
10:30-10:45 Cherish, Eli
10:45-11:00 Damien, Eoin, Erik
11:00-11:15 Jackson, Jade

Thur. April 19th 10:00-11:15
10:00-10:15 Jacob H, Jonathan H, Jacob J
10:15-10:30 Hannah, Katie, Keegan
10:30-10:45 Kyle, Kelly
10:45-11:00 Lexi, Max, Olivia
11:00-11:15 Paul, Rebekah

If you are unable to come at the time I have you scheduled, please let me know.

PERSONAL DICTIONARY

Personal Dictionaries— Any words misspelled in Caught 'Ya Grammar and other graded work need to be added into your yellow personal dictionaries. **New: Put a ___ by words misspelled this week.**

SOCIAL STUDIES

Oregon Trail Unit: We have begun our Oregon Trail unit and the kids are thrilled! They are in their wagon groups, which have each been given \$600 to use throughout the trail. They will have various times along the trip that they can purchase food at the General Store. Every day they will pull event cards, which will determine their circumstances. Be sure and ask them how their wagon group is fairing. They will be journaling their experiences.



Easter Egg Hunt On Thursday, our class will have an Easter Egg Hunt from 1:45-2:15, which will be beside our building by the old chapel. Please send in 6 stuffed plastic eggs. Please keep in mind that the items inside the eggs does not have to be candy. If students choose to have something that is bigger than the egg, a number can be put inside the egg to match up with the item. Students can bring a basket or a bag to put eggs in. Parents, you are welcome to come, and afterwards, you can attend the "Cat and the Rat Musical in the gym at 2:15 if you'd like.



Calendar of Events

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Mon. April 2: Star Lab 10:45

Tue. April 3: "Did You Know" Books completed, including Special Pages

Wed. Apr. 4:

- "Did You Know" Books bound
- 4th Grade Spelling Bee 12:30

Thu. Apr 5:

- 5th Grade Spelling Bee 12:40
- Easter Egg Hunt 1:45
- 2:15-2:45 Cat and the Rat Musical performed by Hedgehog Singers
- End of 3rd Quarter

Fri. Apr. 6: No School for Students— Teacher Work Day

Sun. Apr. 8: Easter Sunday
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Apr. 9– 16: Spring Break

Mon. April 16th: Caterpillars will be sent to us.

Wed. Apr. 18: "Did You Know" Authors' Tea 10:00-11:15

Thu. Apr. 19: "Did You Know" Authors' Tea 10:00-11:15

Fri. April 20:

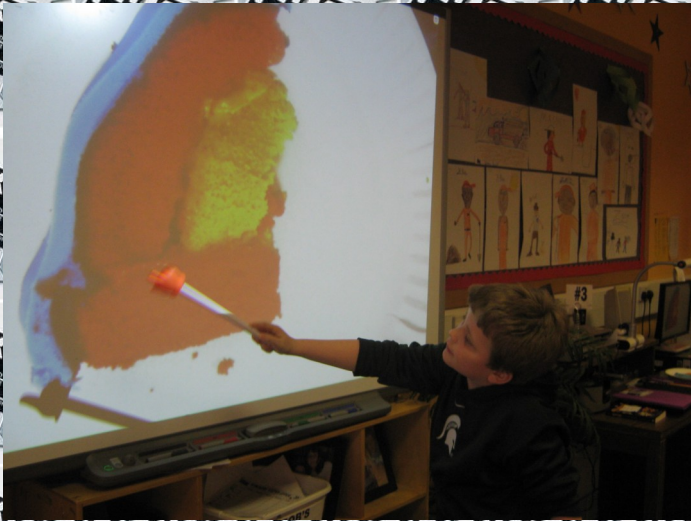
- DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) 10:30-11:25
- Military Child Egg Hunt

Fri. Apr. 27: Birds of Prey Presentation

Thu. May 10th: Dan Crow Concert

Jackson's Project

Yummy "Layers of the Earth"



Wacky Shoe Day!



5th Grade Middle School Orientation



4th Grade Service Project



