

## Griffis Superstar Studio

You're a star in Mrs. Griffis's Class! Week of Nov. 21, 2011



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## WEEKLY FEATURES

MATH

- Envision Math: Factors, Prime & Composite Numbers
- Quick Quizzes: Equivalent Fractions (extra practice on website

READING

- <u>Weekly Reading Cards</u> 100 minutes of reading at home. (Many students didn't turn it in today.)
- <u>Family Read Alouds</u>—Since it's a short week, we won't have a Family Read Aloud this week.
- Monthly Book Pick: Mr. Popper's Penguins. Chapters 1-7 have been read to the class. The rest of the chapters need to be read at home during their weekly reading time. Once this book is completed, students can choose other books to read. If your child is having difficulties reading this book, please let me know.
- <u>Flexible Reading Groups</u> Students will continue to participate in flexible reading groups. Each time students finish a book, they are to complete a Book Review. Various reading strategies and skills will be covered.
- Fluency Checks Students will be checked for reading fluency on a bi-weekly basis.

GRAMMAR

- Caught 'Ya Grammar: various grammar skills
- <u>Caught 'Ya in All Subjects!</u> Don't let Mrs. Griffis catch you! There are grammar, punctuation, and spelling checks in all subject areas!
- Caught 'Ya Vocabulary: Taken from Caught 'Ya Grammars

WRITING

<u>Polishing & Publishing !</u> Students will choose one of their graded stories to polish and publish (*Dream Job, Character Sketch, Fall Poem, Fairy Tale, or Recipe for Life*) **Stories need to be turned in to Mrs. Griffis to be bound by Tuesday, December 6th.** 



<u>5 Story Authors' Teas:</u> Parents are invited to listed to their children read their stories at our classroom Authors' Teas. Please let me know if you need to change your day/ time.

Thursday, Dec. 8th 9:45-10:00: Abbie, Adam 10:00-10:15 Aja, Alexis K 10:15-10:30 Ashlyn, Avery 10:30-10:45 Cherish, Eli 10:45-11:00 Eoin, Erik 11:00-11:15 Erik, Jackson Friday, Dec. 9th

9:45-10:00: Jacob H, Jacob J 10:00-10:15 Katie, Keegan 10:15-10:30 Kyle, Kelly 10:30-10:45 Lexi, Max 10:45-11:00 Noah, Olivia 11:00-11:15 Paul, Rebekah

5#h GRADE PHONICS <u>Personal Dictionaries</u>

– Any words misspelled in your writing/ graded homework needs to be added into your yellow personal dictionaries. Be sure to put a STAR by all of these words.

SOCIAL STUDIES Liberty Kids Series

- Liberty or Death
- Midnight Ride
- The Shot Heard Round the World

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

☆☆☆☆☆ <u>Wed. Nov. 23:</u> 1:30 Pilgrim Pie and Ice Cream Feast

Thu. Nov. 24

- Thanksgiving Holiday– off
- Jack & the Beanstalk starring our very own Max Blake 7:30 PM at Hockwold Village Hall

Fri. Nov. 25

- Friday Recess

   off
- Jack & the Beanstalk starring our very own Max 7:30

Sat. Nov. 26

 Jack & the Beanstalk matinee at 2:00 PM

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Mon. Dec. 5th:
Hannah comes back! :)

Thur. Dec. 8: 5-Story Author's Tea 10-11:30

Fri. Dec. 9th: Five Story Author's Tea 10:00-11:00 (cont'd)

Dec. 19– Jan2: Christmas Break

<u>Tue. Jan. 3</u>: Return to school

Mon. Jan 16: Martin Luther King Day- off

