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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



Greetings Parrot Parents!! We have had a successful start to the school year. Students and teachers are well into their instructional routines and are ready for the start of the second grading period. Our school's theme this year is, "Bring your "A" game. Every day, in every way!" Every day we challenge our Stoney Point Scholars to do their best.



Now that Report Cards have been sent home we are ready to invite parents to our first Parent Teacher Conferences scheduled for November 5th. This is an excellent opportunity to speak with your child's teacher about ways to support your child's academic progress and to help them, "bring their "A" game.

Finally, please refer to the CCS District Calendar as there are a number of Teacher Workdays and Holidays this month. As always, thanks for your support.

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KINDERGARTEN

Our kindergarten students have adjusted to school well. They have been working hard learning letters, sounds, number recognition and counting. We have spent the majority of our first quarter also learning the rules, routines, and procedures for our school and classroom. We have focused on characters and settings in stories and main topic and key details in informational texts. For the second quarter, we will continue learning how to blend words. We will determine if groups are less or greater than another group and continue learning to count to 100.

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1ST GRADE

ELA

During the 2nd quarter, first graders will continue with identifying the main topic and retelling key details in text. Students will continue to describe characters, setting, and major events in a story, using key details. Students will be writing narratives: stories with a beginning, middle, and end. They will also write informative text where they give a topic and some facts about that topic. In school, we use mentor texts to guide and support all of these types of writing.

Math

Students will continue to use various strategies to solve word problems. We will be comparing 3 objects as longer or shorter. Also, students will use non-standard units to measure objects. Collecting, organizing, and interpreting data will be part of our 2nd quarter math objectives as well.

Science

Students will be learning about the differences of day and night. We will be learning about the moon, sun, and stars.

Social Studies

In Social Studies we will continue learning about how diversity shapes our communities.

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2ND GRADE

ELA/ Reading

Ask and answer questions; recount stories and identify lessons; describe character responses and story structure. Identify main topics, paragraph focus, and author purpose. Use text features, pictures, and diagrams; compare stories and informational texts. Explore rhythm, rhyme, repeated sounds, and shades of word meaning.

Math

Count within 100 as we work toward 1,000. Skip-count by 5s, 10s, and 100s. Use repeated addition to find totals in arrays with up to 5 rows and 5 columns. Tell and write time to the nearest five minutes using analog and digital clocks,
a.m., and p.m.

Science

Investigate how vibrating objects and air make sound. Use models to explain how body parts vibrate to produce and detect sound.

Social Studies

Locate settlements, territories, and states using exact and relative locations. Explain how the environment and movement of people, goods, and ideas shaped regions across America.

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3RD GRADE

ELA/ Reading

Students will explore how events and ideas connect in nonfiction texts through sequence and cause and effect. They'll examine how authors connect ideas to support their points. Through fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures, students will retell stories and explain their lessons or morals using key details.

Math

Students will build understanding of division, solve multiplication and division word problems, and tackle two-step problems using addition, subtraction, and multiplication. They'll write equations with a symbol for the unknown number.

Science

Students will investigate how forces change an object's speed or direction.

At home: Use a toy car or ball to explore gentle and stronger pushes. Ask your child to predict, test, and describe how a push changes its speed or direction.

Social Studies

Students will compare the structure of state and local governments and the jobs each performs.

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4TH GRADE

ELA/ Reading

A big part of our Quarter 2 is within text structure, text evidence, summarizing the text, inferences, theme, and the difference between poems, drama, and prose. We will also be writing informative/explanatory writing pieces about how plants, animals, and humans depend on each other to survive in their environment and how writers were inspired by special places.

Math

First quarter we looked at data, rounding, comparing, number forms, adding, subtracting, and just finished up with area and perimeter. Quarter 2 will focus on multiplication, division, and we will begin fractions.

Social Studies

Fourth grade is focusing on North Carolina HISTORY within the Prehistoric and the focus of the history of our state and being able to identify maps and the geography within maps.

Science

We will focus within Quarter 2 with rocks/minerals, fossils, and changes caused by human impacts on the environment.

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5TH GRADE

Science

In the second nine weeks the focus will be on the importance of the sun's energy driving the Water Cycle and daily changes in weather conditions. Students will create mini water cycles in a bag to witness evaporation, condensation, and even a little bit of precipitation! The water cycle/weather unit is vocabulary rich so our interactive notebooks will be getting a workout!

Math

During Q1, we focused heavily on multiplication and division strategies. We also explored Coordinate Grids and numerical patterns. In Q2, we are transitioning to multiplying and dividing fractions. We will be utilizing manipulatives and multiple strategies to help us understand fractions. We will end Q2 with decimal place value, which will set us up for decimals in Q3.

ELA/ Reading

Students are leveling up their ELA skills by quoting directly from texts to support ideas, analyzing main themes, comparing story elements (characters, settings, events), and writing detailed narrative stories. They are also building vocabulary through context clues and figurative language.

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RESOURCE

P.E.

Students will be working on soccer stations and soccer game.

Art

Artists are working on fall projects with Mrs Mims. Our focus has been on color theory and blending with a variety of mediums in grades 2-5. Younger grades are focusing on the Elements of Art in their work, particularly line, shape and color. Students are showing great pride in their accomplishments.

Music

Our first performance of the year will be our Veterans Day performance -Tue. November 10 at 1pm. 2nd and 3rd grade classes performing.

The next performance is the Christmas performance which includes 5th grade strings, concert choir, tiniklers. and Mrs. Krichbaum's 4th grade class.

Media

Battle of the Books tryouts were held in early October. Stoney Point's "Super Seven" are currently busy reading this year's books and have begun practice after school. Expect to see great things from our extremely motivated BOB team!