

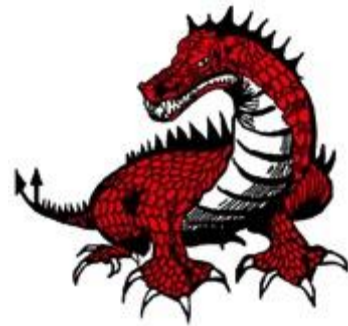
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Pender Elementary eNews



**December 13,
2021**

Reading Tips

Here are some tips to help your kids when they read.

| <u>WHEN I READ</u> | <u>THINGS I CAN DO TO HELP ME UNDERSTAND WHAT I READ</u> |
|--|---|
| <p>Before I read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Think: What do I already know?• Predict: What do I think will happen? <p>As I read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ask: Did I understand what I just read?• Were there any words I didn't understand?• Was anything confusing?• Can I retell in my own words what I just read? <p>After I read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summarize | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sound out an unknown word.2. Go back and reread the passage.3. Look up the meaning of an unknown word.4. Read ahead and see if it makes sense.5. Ask a question and try to find the answer.6. Slow down as I read.7. Do one or more of these things, or something that I've learned to understand what I read. |



Thank-you for taking your time to read this information!
Mrs. Miller

PreK Classroom News

Week of: December 6th-10th

A Note From the Teacher

Please practice putting on and zipping coats at home. Remember to send folders to school every day.

Upcoming Events

December 8, 15: 2:30pm
Dismissal

December 22: 1pm
Dismissal (NO Afternoon
PreK)

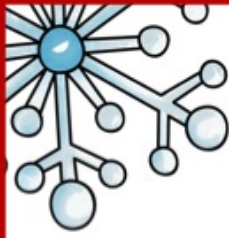
December 23-January 4:
No School (Winter
Break)

What We Learned This Week

- This week we learned all about the letter Uu. We came up with different words that start with that letter and made an art project. Next week we will be talking about the letter Jj.

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Our Kindergarten Classroom News

The Week of December 6-10

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Our Learning

Language Arts: short u words, blending sounds, final sounds, author's purpose, writing a complete sentence

Sight words: you, what

Math: solving problems by drawing a picture, 3-D shapes (cube, cone, cylinder, sphere), matching a number to a set of dots, copping designs on a geoboard

Reminder

Please remember to send hats and coats to school every day. We will be going outside for recess if the wind-chill is above 0 degrees.



Dates

December 15
2:30 Dismissal

December 13- Elementary Winter Concert 6:30 (Preschool at 6:00)

December 22- 1:00 Dismissal

Dec 23-Jan 4- No School- Winter Break. School resumes **Jan5**



At-Home Practice

Az ur child brings home riting for the ferst tim, do not be serprizd at the spelling. We will uz "temporary spelling" in r wrk. It iz a grat asesment to se wut yor child nos. Let ur child red thair riting to u and pras them for thair osum wrk.

1st Grade Newsletter

Week of December 6-10

A Peek at the Week

Reading: Holidays Around the World, Review

Spelling: s-blends, final blends

Grammar: review

Writing: Santa Letters

Math: even and odd numbers, clocks, adding

Spelling

1. sled
2. splash
3. scrap
4. snug
5. stand
6. pond
7. fast
8. tent
9. bank
10. dump

Upcoming Dates

December

13- concert

21- Polar Express Day

22-1:00 dismissal

Start of winter break

Reminders

- Check your child's folders and send them back each day
- Be sure to send your child with proper clothing for recess on cold days

Second Grade - 12-2-2021

Classroom News

Mrs. Sheila Dahlman & Mr. Mitchell Mailloux

Notes

Spelling 12-17

Christmas List

1. Santa
2. bag
3. gift
4. toys
5. cookie
6. milk
7. red suit
8. Mrs. Claus
9. North Pole
10. candy cane
11. boots
12. ho ho ho
13. sled
14. reindeer
15. beard

What We Are Learning

Language Arts

- + Informational text
- + Vocabulary, fluency
- + main idea/details
- + use a dictionary
- + spelling base words with ee, ea
- + text/graphic features
- + Writing applied research
- + writing compound sentences

Social Studies

- + Native Americans

Math

- + Two digit addition w/regrouping
- + Trading pennies for dimes
- + Measuring to the nearest inch

Science

- + Properties of Materials

Upcoming Events

December 13, 14 – AIMSWEB TESTING

Dec 15, Jan 12, 19, 26 – 2:30 Dismissal

Dec 17, Jan 14, 28 - SPELLING TEST

January 24th – SPELLING BEE

December 22 – 1:00 dismissal

December 22 – End of 2nd quarter

December 23-January 4 – No School, Winter break

REMINDER - Please remind your children to wear appropriate clothing for colder temperatures.



**WEEK
OF:**

December 6th - 10th



Mrs. Gaer

THIRD GRADE

Mrs. Hoffman



Lesson Spelling Words

None this week due to MAPS and AimsWeb testing.



Important Reminders

- ✓ Sign your child's planner nightly
- ✓ Please check for Math homework, look over, and sign on back
- ✓ Keep track of reading for Welsh's B.O.B.
- ✓ Elementary Winter Concert is Dec. 13



Reading

Students spent the majority of their week MAPS testing. They were also introduced to the skill that will carry over to next week. The skill for this text is author's purpose.



Math

Skills learned this week: MAPS Testing, Quarter 2 Assessments, Rectangular Grid Patterns, Multiplication as Repeated Addition
Skills coming up: AimsWeb Testing, Q2 Assessments, Multiplication Table, Multiplication Facts: 0s, 1s, 10s



Social Studies

Students finished their unit on culture this week. They completed a study guide and a review before taking the test.



Science

Third graders have started Unit 1: Forces Around Us. Concepts to cover include: Motion, Force Can Change Motion, Electricity, and Magnetism.



Writing

- Mrs. Gaer's class did a compare and contrast response.
- Mrs. Hoffman's class is publishing opinion paragraphs.

December 9, 2021

Weekly News Edition

Life and Times of 4th Grade & Writing Class

Pender P.R.I.D.E. ~ Preparation ~ Respect ~ Integrity ~ Determination ~ Excellence

Writing Class

4th Grade: Students are writing a persuasive letter to Santa! No, not about what they want, rather what job they should be hired for at the North Pole! From North Pole Security or Santa's Travel Agent to Head Marshmallow Flavor Creator or Head of Toy Inspection, we have a variety of jobs to apply for.

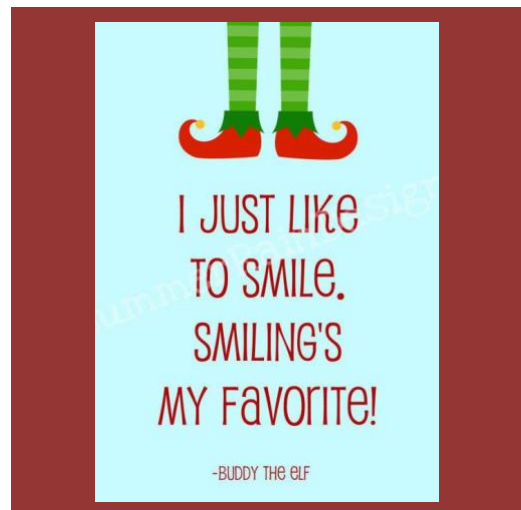


5th Grade: Time to persuade in 5th grade. We have selected topics and are eagerly planning reasons and evidence to support our topics. As we begin drafting our persuasive essays, our word choice becomes more and more important.

6th Grade: Career Research as begun! The 6th graders are learning a lot about their strengths and qualities to determine which careers best suit them. Over the next couple weeks, they will research a career and write an expository essay, create a slide show presentation, and then orally present what they have learned.

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Quote of the Week



*Dream Big
READ!
READ!

Battle of the Books- For December, students should practice reading at their level and complete a monthly calendar of 20 nights of reading. Parents need to sign each night they read. Calendars will be collected after Christmas break!

CLASSROOM NEWS

week of: Dec. 6-Dec. 10

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Important Dates

- Dec 15- 2:30 dismissals
- Dec 6-10 –Map Testing
- Dec 14-16 – Aims Testing
- Dec 22 – 1:00 dismissal
- Dec 23-Jan 4 – Christmas Break
- Jan 5 – School resumes



What We're Learning

4th Grade

- We finished up our unit on what kind of a place Nebraska is. We will spend a couple days talking about the Kansas/Nebraska act.

5th Grade

- We took a test over the Revolutionary War. We are going to look at some different points of view of the war, primary, secondary sources and discuss the difficulties of starting a new nation.

6th Grade

- We finished up our unit on ancient Egypt. We learned so much about social classes, the written language and pyramids. We will take a few days to build our own pyramids.

Reminders

- Please check planners nightly for homework and initial/sign
- Chromebooks need to be charged at home nightly
- Check SeeSaw for important updates, pictures and information

Try this at Home

- Talk about primary and secondary sources.





Mrs. English

4-6 Science

December 13, 2021



Upcoming Events

- 12/13-Elementary Concert @ 6:30
- 12/14-Aimsweb testing
- 12/22-Ddismiss at 1:00 p.m.
- 1/4-Teacher Inservice-No school
- 1/5-School Resumes

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Concepts in Science

4th Grade- Students will identify and observe energy transfers within different objects that demonstrate different types of energy transfers.

5th Grade- Students will analyze and interpret data to model the movement of Earth in relationship to other objects in space.

6th Grade- Students will look for patterns in the weather and explore how and why weather changes. They will collect data to provide evidence for how the interactions of air masses result in changes in weather conditions.

PENDER PENDRAGONS

Mr. Hoffman's 5th Grade 4th-6th Math

Kids can bring money to The Pendragoon Branch Bank and save on Wednesday mornings starting at 7:30AM.

Quarter tests will occur this week. Each day the students will take about a 10 question quiz over report card standards covered since the beginning of the year.

Saxon test results are posted on SeeSaw and will continue to be. If you would like your son/daughter to retake any test or quiz, they may do that at any time. I will also post that retake on SeeSaw as well.

CONCEPTS COVERED IN 4TH GRADE

- Add Large Numbers
- Check Division with Multiplication
- Subtract Large Numbers
- Divide with a 1 Digit Quotient and Remainder
- MAPS Testing

Next Test: December 13th

CONCEPTS COVERED IN 5TH GRADE

- Multiply Two Digit by Two Digit Numbers
- Distributive Property
- Name Numbers Through the Billions
- Find Perimeter of Polygons
- Identify Measures of a Circle
- MAPS Testing

Next Test: December 13th

CONCEPTS COVERED IN 6TH GRADE

- Identify Decimals on a Number Line
- Test
- Divide Fractions
- Read Line Plots
- Mean, Median, Mode, & Range
- MAPS Testing

Next Test: December 13th

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Mrs. Miller's News

December 10, 2021

4th Grade Reading

Story: The Earth Dragon Awakes

Skills:

author's word choice
sequence of events in a story
drawing conclusions
making generalizations

5th Grade Reading

Story: Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?

Skills:

tone
fact/opinion
similes in a story

6th Grade Reading

Story: Airborn!

Skills:

story structure
personification
point of view

For Your Calendar

- Dec 15: 2:30 Dismissal
- Dec 13: Elementary Winter Concert 6:00pm
- Dec 22: 1:00 Dismissal
- Dec 23-Jan 4 Winter Break

December Battle of the Books is to complete a reading calendar. This will be in the Thursday folder.

**MAPS testing was completed this week.

**Next week is AimsWeb and Quarter Assessments

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Mrs. T's Guided Reading

Many guided reading groups have finished their novels! The plan is for most groups to be done before the Holiday break! Those that have finished will be reading several short stories each week. They've continued working on their literature circle jobs (comprehension skills) and practicing their spelling. Some of their Word Works are posted on SeeSaw! Of course, practicing spelling and reading for enjoyment at home are always encouraged!

These are the novels each class is reading:

- 4N Tigers: Short Stories
- 4N Artic Foxes: Champ
- 4N Artic Wolves: Short Stories
- 4S Lions: Short Stories
- 4S Red Foxes: Champ
- 4S Funky Ferrets: Short Stories
- 5H White Strawberries: Champ
- 5H Rainbow Rolls: Short Stories
- 5H Dino Nuggies: Short Stories
- 5H KooKoo Puffs: Lightning Thief
- 5E Takimarshmellows: Short Stories
- 5E Blueberry Fries: Short Stories
- 5E Tuesday Tacos: Short Stories
- 5E Burnt Beans: Lightning Thief
- 6T Golden Jelly Beans: Short Stories
- 6T Blue Sprinkles: Lightning Thief
- 6T Rainbow Sours: Hunger Games
- 6M Cyan Skittles: Short Stories
- 6M Yellow Sweet Tarts: Short Stories
- 6M Silver Snickers: Hunger Games

Spelling lists will now
be posted on Seesaw
each week for easy
access at home!

Spelling Lists

4th Grade

turkey
lonely
colony
steady
hungry
valley
hockey
starry
melody
movie
duty
drowsy
chimney
plenty
daily
alley
fifty
empty
injury
prairie

Challenge

envy
fiery
mercy
discovery
mystery

5th Grade

actual
cruel
influence
diet
museum
casual
ruin
pioneer
trial
visual
realize
create
riot
genuine
area
annual
audio
dial
theater
patriot

Challenge

diagnose
media
appreciate
society
prior

6th Grade

contrast
contact
compound
combine
concentrate
comment
conference
compete
community
convert
conversation
commute
constitution
conduct
consumer
continent
composition
communicate
compliment
condition

Challenge

confidential
commission
compatible
combustion
comprehension

Special Education

Newsletter



Special Education Team Members

Kelly Ballinger- Special Education Director

Kira Swinton-K-3 Special Education Teacher

Payton Blanke-4-6 Special Education Teacher

Andrea Hinrichs-7-12 Special Education Teacher

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Brianna Hansen-Speech-Language Pathologist

Leah Clark- School Psychologist

Blythe Reinert- Occupational Therapist

**⚠ WARNING
ACRONYMS
AHEAD**

EAHCA - Education for All Handicapped Children Act

EAHCA was an act passed by the U.S. Congress guaranteeing all children equal access to education in the least restrictive environment, This act has since been replaced by the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act.



Dr. Seuss Treasury

Dr. Seuss classics, which have been adapted into delightful interactive experiences. All of their favorite characters are included - the Cat in the Hat, the Grinch, the Lorax, Sam-I-Am and many, many more!

The beautiful thing
about learning
is nobody can take it away
from you.
- B. B. King



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As always, if you need anything, send us an email and we'll be happy to help!

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Weekly NEWS

Mrs. Welch's Pendragon Academy

Important Dates

Christmas Concert
December 13th
6:30 PM

Reminders

- Remember to check your child's planner for homework they may need to finish.
- Remember to send back in PEAK Life assessments.

What Are We Learning?

- We are going to work on following simple recipes this week in the Pendragon Academy.
- The first recipe we will be doing is making Grinch Popcorn.
- Check out SeeSaw for pictures of the activities. 😊