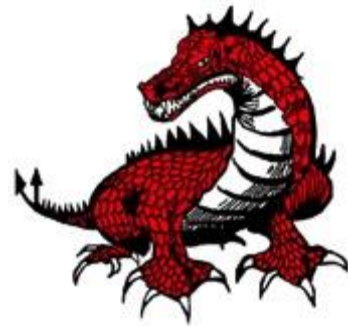


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Pender Elementary eNews



April 20, 2022

Building Vocabulary

Many parents ask themselves what they can do to help their child become a better reader. We all know practice makes perfect, so naturally reading to and with your child as much as possible is important.

It is equally, if not more important, to have conversations with your child. See if you can find new and interesting topics to discuss. The more conversations you have with your child on a variety of topics the stronger their vocabulary will be, and any opportunity to learn things 'hands on' is always best.

If you're going on a camping trip or vacation talk about the places and things you'll see on the way. If there are local museums or places of interest take a trip there for the afternoon to see what you'll find. You could even work in a vocabulary lesson going for a walk and discussing the plants or animals you see on the way!



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

Mrs. Miller

PreK Classroom News

Week of: April 11th-15th

A Note From the Teacher

With the weather getting warmer, please send a light jacket with your student in the mornings.

Upcoming Events

April 20, 27: 2:30pm
Dismissal
April 15, 18, 19: NO School
May 2: No School
May 12: Preschool
Graduation
May 13: Last Day for
Preschool

What We Learned This Week

- This week was review week. We went over shapes, letters and letter sounds. Next week will also be review week.

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Our Kindergarten Classroom News

The Week of April 20-22

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Upcoming Events

- Dismiss at 2:30-** April 27
- NO SCHOOL-** May 2
- Elementary Filed Day-** May 16
- Last Day of School-** May 19- Noon dismissal

Our Learning

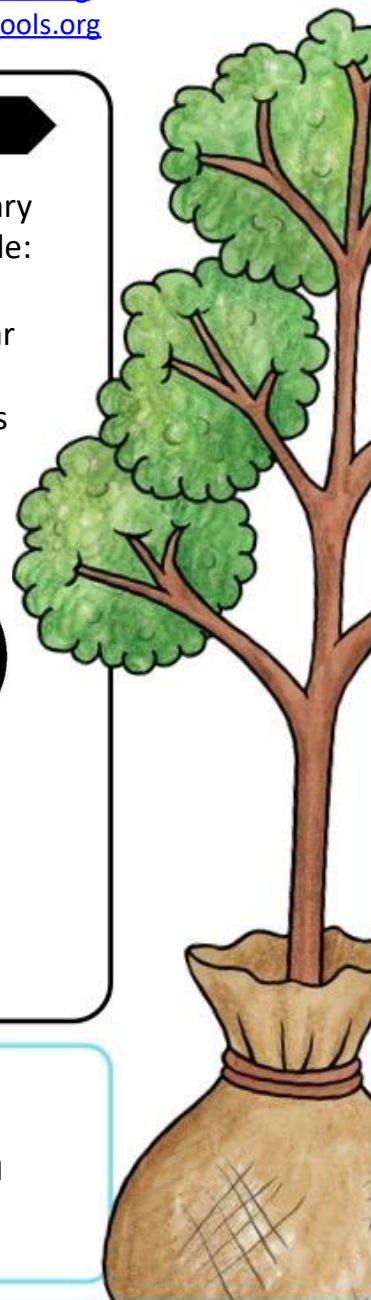
- Language Arts-reading and writing sight words, synonyms, writing a complete sentence
- Math-adding and subtracting within 10, numbers to 100, 3-D shapes

At-Home Practice

Ask your child to count to 120. (That's a first grade skill 😊)

Reminders

Pender Elementary School Dress Code: Tennis shoes are the best footwear for elementary students. Sandals and flip-flops are not recommended.



1st Grade Newsletter

Week of April 11-15

A Peek at the Week

Reading: Author's purpose, Intonation, Informational, Fable

Spelling: -er -est

Grammar: kinds of sentences

Writing: Narrative

Math: fair shares, fractions, fact families

Spelling Words

TEST ON 4/28

1. my
2. try
3. sky
4. fly
5. by
6. dry
7. pie
8. cried
9. night
10. light

Upcoming Dates

April

15, 18, 19- No School

May

2-No School

16- Field Day @ 1:00

17-Field Trip

19- Last Day 12:00 dismissal

Reminders

- Check your child's folders and send them back each day

Second Grade - 4-13-2022

CLASSROOM NEWS

Mrs. Sheila Dahlman, Mr. Mitchell Mailloux & Miss Kaya Stark

Notes

Spelling 4-29

List A

1. cow
2. house
3. town
4. shout
5. down
6. mouse
7. found
8. loud
9. brown
10. ground
11. flower
12. flower
13. out
14. now
15. towel
16. pounce

List B

1. scowling
2. pouches
3. gown
4. around
5. crown
6. bounced
7. found
8. growling
9. howling
10. underground
11. pound
12. flower
13. route
14. sound
15. towel
16. pounce

What We Are Learning

Language Arts

- + Fantasy
- + Vocabulary, fluency
- + words with oo, ew, ue, ou
- + conclusions
- + story features
- + multiple meaning words
- + using context clues
- + Writing-Descriptive paragraphs

Social Studies

- + Neighborhoods & Current events

Math

- + Dividing objects into equal groups
- + Finding Area of shapes
- + Multiplication Facts

Science

- + Plants & Animals

Upcoming Events

April 20, 27, May 4, 11 – 2:30 Dismissal

April 29, May 6, 13 - SPELLING TEST

Apr 15, 18, 19 – No School

May 2 – No School- Pender Elementary Honor Band

May 12 – Field Trip

May 16 – Elementary Field Day

May 19 – Last day of School



WEEK
OF:

April 11th – 15th



Mrs. Gaer

THIRD GRADE

Mrs. Hoffman



Lesson -- Spelling Words

NO SPELLING NEXT WEEK!



Important Reminders

- Sign your child's planner nightly
- Please check for Math homework, look over, and sign!
- NSCAS Testing is rapidly approaching, look for tests to review with your child



Reading

This week students focused on nonfiction skills and test preparation. We practiced identifying main idea and detail in nonfiction texts. We focus heavily on those test taking strategies.

We preview the text first by reading the questions, then predicting what we're going to read by looking at the title and any other features there might be. While taking the test, we practiced looking back in the passage to find the answer, or find support for our answers.



Math

Skills learned this week: Sorting Geometric Shapes, Diagrams for Sorting, NSCAS Prep

Skills coming up: Estimating Area, NSCAS Prep, NSCAS Practice Tests



Social Studies

Students learned what the three branches of government are. Ask them the jobs of each branch of government.



Science

Third graders continue their unit on Observing Weather. We just moved into our final lesson: Preparing for Natural Hazards. Module Assessment will be after the break.



Writing

- Mrs. Gaer's class finished their acrostic poems, and began writing couplets.
- Mrs. Hoffman's class is researching natural disasters.

April 13, 2022

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-6th Grade :

The NSCAS test is drawing near, and we are using this time to brush up and review skills we have learned all year in writing class. We have practiced a number of skills including:

- Recognizing plagiarism
- Revising for better word choice
- Finding the best topic sentence and concluding sentence
- Reviewing the use of figurative language
- Poetry terminology
- Grammar skills practice
- Understanding word parts
- And so much more!

The students are eager and ready to show all they have learned this year. It is their turn to shine!

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Quote of the Week



★ Dream Big
★ READ! ★

Battle of the Books- Mrs. Miller has a 4th Quarter reading challenge coming your way! Stay tuned to how the kids will "travel the world" through books this quarter.

CLASSROOM NEWS

week of: April 11-15

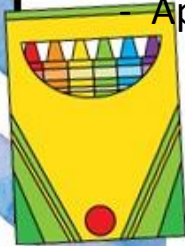
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Important Dates

- April 20, 27 -
2:30 dismissals
- April 15, 18 & 19 – No
School – Spring Break
- April 21, 22, 26, 27, 28,
29 - NSCAS Testing



What We're Learning

4th Grade

-We wrapped up learning about the Homestead Act and Nebraska. We talked a lot about just how hard homesteading would have been like in Nebraska but how important it was to us becoming a state. We also talked about the Constitution and Native American groups found in Nebraska. We will move onto talk more about Nebraska becoming a state.

5th Grade

- We talked about growing cities, a changing society and progressive politics. We took a vocabulary test over unit 3. We will be moving onto a new century and WWI next.

6th Grade

- We wrapped up our Greek vases, they turned out super neat and are displayed in the hallways for others to enjoy. We moved onto Ancient Rome; we are excited to learn more about the times and their government.

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





Mrs. English

4-6 Science

April 18, 2022

Science

If it's green or wriggles,
It's biology.

If it sinks,
It's chemistry.

If it doesn't work,
It's physics.

If you see stars,
It's astronomy.

If it has fruits,
It's geology.

If it's heavy or sensible,
It's mathematics.

If it doesn't make sense,
It's either economics
or psychology.

Robbelle Evans, Author Teacher, Quilting Artist
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Upcoming Events

- 4/18-NO SCHOOL (spring break)
- 4/19-NO SCHOOL (spring break)
- 5/2-Elem. Honor Band-**No School**
- 5/16-Elem. Field Day

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Concepts in Science

4th Grade- Students will construct an explanation about how patterns are used to transmit information

▣

5th Grade- Students will plan and carry out investigations to describe the movement of matter among plants, animals, decomposers, and the environment. ▣

6th Grade- Students explore how different systems interact to enable structural and supportive body functions. They learn how these interacting systems enable movement, and support or refute that the body could not function without the support of the skeletal system.

PENDER PENDRAGONS

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

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

We will be learning new topics and reviewing others as we prepare for the state NSCAS test. State tests start next week with Reading. Then we have Math and Science the following week!!

Students can work on the list of iXL's that I sent home a month ago. If you need another copy, please let me know. If you would like your son/daughter to retake any test or quiz, they may do that at any time.

CONCEPTS COVERED IN 4TH GRADE

- Prime and Composite Numbers
- Rounding Number
- Creating Simple Algebraic Expressions
- Practice NSCAS Test
- SCOOT

Next Test: NSCAS Test - April 26th

CONCEPTS COVERED IN 5TH GRADE

- Dividing a Decimal by a Decimal
- Multipliyin a Decimal by a Decimal
- Practice NSCAS Test
- SCOOT

Next Test: NSCAS Test - April 26th

CONCEPTS COVERED IN 6TH GRADE

- Order of Operations
- Percents of a Number
- Area of Trapezoids
- Practice NSCAS Test
- SCOOT

Next Test: NSCAS Test - April 26th

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Mrs. Miller's News

April 15, 2022

4th Grade Reading

Story: Unit 5 Test

Skills:

All 4th grade vocabulary and comprehension skills to date

5th Grade Reading

Story: Unit 5 Test

Skills:

All 5th grade vocabulary and comprehension skills to date

6th Grade Reading

Story: Unit 5 Test

Skills:

All 6th grade vocabulary and comprehension skills to date

For Your Calendar

- April 15-19: Spring Break
- April 20: 2:30 Early Dismissal
- April 21-22: ELA NSCAS testing for 4-5-6 students
- May 2: Elem. Honor Band
- May 13: 6th Grade Field Trip
- May 16: Elem. Field Day

Standings to date:

5E: 5564 mi 6M: 8624 mi 4N: 3216 mi
4S: 5681 mi 5H: 11617 mi 6T: 1430 mi

Reading takes you on the
greatest adventures!

Tara Miller

4-5-6 Reading

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Mrs. T's Guided Reading

Many groups have been wrapping up their novels! Since there are not enough days left of school to start new novels, groups that finish will begin reading smaller non-fiction texts. We will continue with our Literature Circle Jobs! We are down to just two weeks left for Spelling! Words are posted on Seesaw each week, and so are the student's test scores. Practicing spelling and reading for fun at home are always encouraged!

These are the novels each group is reading:

4N Flamingos: Amelia Bedelia
4N Snakes: Wright 3
4N Baboons: Tangerine
4S Gorillas: Julian Rodriguez
4S Seagulls: Word Eater
4S Dolphins: Tangerine
5H Rhinos: Million Dollar Shot
5H Crabs: The Sisters Grimm
5H Dinosaurs: The Wanderer
5H Coons: Chains
5E Lions: The Sisters Grimm
5E Moose: Amelia Bedelia
5E Humans: Titanic
5E Blobfish: Chains
6T Monkeys: Hugo Cabret
6T Fish: Tentacles
6T Snails: Catching Fire
6M Serpents: Storm Thief
6M Iguanas: Tentacles
6M Shellfish: Ancient Rome

Happy Spring
Break!!

Thursday, April 14th and continue
into the following week! Please be
sure students are getting enough
rest so they are ready to do their
best work!

Special Education

Newsletter



Special Education Team Members

Kelly Ballinger- Special Education Director

Kira Swinton-K-3 Special Education Teacher

Payton Blanke-Special Education Teacher

Andrea Hinrichs-7-12 Special Education Teacher

Kayla Brewer- Autism Program Teacher

Brianna Hansen- Speech-Language Pathologist

Leah Clark- School Psychologist

Blythe Reinert- Occupational Therapist



ID- Intellectual Disability

Intellectual disability (or ID) is a **term used when a person has certain limitations in cognitive functioning and skills, including communication, social and self-care skills**. These limitations can cause a child to develop and learn more slowly or differently than a typically developing child.

What We
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BECOMES A PART OF
WHO WE
ARE



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

Support For Parents

Developmental Disabilities Services
DD Services can help your child gain employment, increase independence, and access their community after graduating high school. It is very important to get signed up for this services BEFORE your child graduates.

Services

Early Intensive Behavioral Intervention: For children who are younger than 5 years old, this therapy helps build positive behavior and reduce unwanted behavior. Therapy sessions are one-on-one with a trained therapist.

Pendragon Academy

Northeast Nebraska Track and Field Day
2022 Spring Sprints
Friday, May 6, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M
Kern Track in Wayne, NE