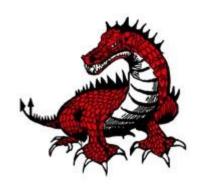
# Pendragon PRIDE



# Pender Elementary eNews





September 3, 2019

#### **Preschool News**

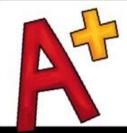
This has been a busy and fun filled week at preschool as we play and get to know all of our new friends!

We have been learning the rules of school and our room and how to recognize our names as we jump our frogs from station to station!

The older children have fallen right back into a wonderful routine as well as learning how to help our younger friends!

It is always so fun to see how they have grown up so much over the summer months!

We are looking forward to a very busy year filled with fun and laughter as we learn the alphabet, numbers, shapes, colors, and all of the other important things in preschool!



# Our Kindergarten Classroom News

#### The Week of August 26-30

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#### **Upcoming Events**

September 2 No School

Sept 11, 18, 25 Dismiss at 2:30

September 25 Picture Day

#### **Our Learning**

The kindergarteners have been doing an excellent job learning all the new rules and routines.

Language Arts: letters and letter sounds, rhyming words, beginning sounds, blending syllables (ro-bot= robot)

Math: Writing, identifying, and counting numbers 1-8, one-to-one correspondence, graphs

#### Reminders

Please remind your child to wear tennis shoes every day for safety at recess and PE

Download the "Box Tops" app and start scanning your receipts.

"Battle of the Books!"- start reading with your child and marking the calendar for our 10 nights each month goal.



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Newsletter

Week of August 26-30

#### A Peek at the Week

Reading: Main Idea and Detail, informational text, short a, sounds of d, f, n, p, classify and categorize words

Spelling: short a

Grammar: Nouns

Writing: handwriting/sentences

Math: numbers 1-5, ordering 1-9, counting, number identification, shapes

#### Spelling Words (Sept. 2-6)

- 1. if
- 2. is
- 3. did
- 4. fin
- 5. sit
- 6. him
- 7. rip
- 8. fit
   9. sip
- 10. pin

#### Upcoming Dates

September 2-No school

11, 18, 25- 2:30 dismissal

16-20-Homecoming week 25-Pictures

#### Reminders

- Milk money due if you want your child to have milk or juice for milk break
   Check your child's folders and send
  - them back each day

# **Classroom News**

Mrs. Sheila Dahlman & Mrs. Vicki Smith

#### August 26th- 30th

#### A peek at the week

#### Language Arts:

- + "Henry & Mudge" story
- + Short a, i words
- + Sequence of events
- + Infer/predict
- + Vocabulary, fluency
- + Alphabetical order
- + Subjects, predicates
- + MAPS Testing

#### Math:

- + Ordinal Position
- + Adding Doubles
- + Comparing Numbers to 50
- + Acting out "some, some more" stories
- + Creating patterns
- + Identifying pattern blocks

#### Spelling Words 9-6

List A	List B
1. wet	went
2. job	telling
3. hug	peppy
4. rest	sock
5. spot	foggy
6. mud	crops
7. left	muddy
8. help	fluffy
9. plum	bathtub
10. nut	muffin
11. net	peanut
12. hot	mask
13. get	get
14. not	not
15. lunch	lunch
16. spend	spend
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#### Upcoming dates to remember

**September 2** – No School – Labor Day

**September 11, 18, 25 -** 2:30 Dismissal

September 9-13 - AIMSWEB Testing

September 25-26 - School pictures

### THIRD GRADE HAPPENINGS

Week of August 26-30th

#### Reading

Both classes spent time completing Fall MAPS testing. They also focused on story structure in a fiction text. In grammar we are working with simple sentences & identifying the subject & predicate.

#### Math

**MAPS Testing** 

**Skills to Review:** Number lines, thermometers, & calendar

Next Week's Skills: Time-fraction of the hour; addition & subtraction; fact families

#### Science

Mrs. Hoffman's class learned about life cycles of plants & animals.

#### Social Studies

Mrs. Gaer's class is focusing on government & civics. Why is government important? What does a local government look like? Those are the questions we are focusing on during this unit.

#### Reminders:

- Regular 3:30 dismissal Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>
- Battle of the Books starts September 3<sup>rd</sup>!

#### Spelling Words (short vowel sound)

thing smell shut crop plan sticky pumpkin lunch clock spent gift class skip swing next hug hospital fantastic

## **Weekly News Edition**

#### Life and Times of 4th Grade & Writing Class

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

#### Writing Class

#### MAPS testing

4 <sup>th</sup>-6 <sup>th</sup> grade spent the week taking MAPS tests in writing class. This test is in language and tests knowledge of the writing process, composing sentences and paragraphs, and proof reading and editing skills.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Building ideas to write from is our focus in 4 <sup>th</sup> grade. We started with a list of people/ places/ pets in our lives that mean something to us, and we are now focusing on things we couldn't live without. Students are having a lot of fun generating ideas.

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Part of becoming a better writer increasing your vocabulary and ability to be descriptive. We are just starting an Adventurous Magic story based on the novel <u>Jeremy Thatcher-Dragon Hatcher</u>. Students will be discovering magic shops and returning home with a magical item and strange instructions. I look forward to their creativity and word choice!

#### Precept of the Week



#### Guided Reading Class

Guided reading groups have not been set at this point in time. Benchmarking is coming to a close, and until all testing is complete, we are doing a novel study with the book Wonder.



SeeSaw is a great place to see what your son or daughter is doing in the classroom. I will send home QR codes for new students or those parents that would like to sign up once we get all the glitches figured out<sup>©</sup>



Battle of the Books- Check out the notes sent home in this week's Thursday folders.

<sup>\*</sup>Graphics courtesy Google images



Mrs. Schrunk's Class Classroom Newsletter August 29, 2019

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#### Dates to Remember

- Sept. 2 -No School
- Sept. 11, 18, 25-2:30 dismissal
  - Sept. 16-20 -
- **Homecoming Week** Sept. 25,26 - School **Pictures**

#### Reminders

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- Send/Scan in Box Tops!
- Look at planners daily, homework is circled and parents please sign. It is our way to communicate!
- **Check Thursday** folders!

#### **Classroom News**

Social Studies Information-

4th Grade- We introduced weekly readers, we will do them almost every week. We read and highlight together at the beginning of the week and the crossword will be due at the end of the week. We began talk about Nebraska symbols.

5th Grade- We started looking at the geography of the United States. We talked about the regions and what is unique about each of them.

6th Grade- We began learning about the Renaissance in Europe. The students are going back in time to see why the Renaissance is an important part of our history.

Mrs. Schrunk 4th Grade Homeroom 4/5/6 SS. Pender Public Schools

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#### 5th Grade

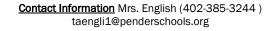
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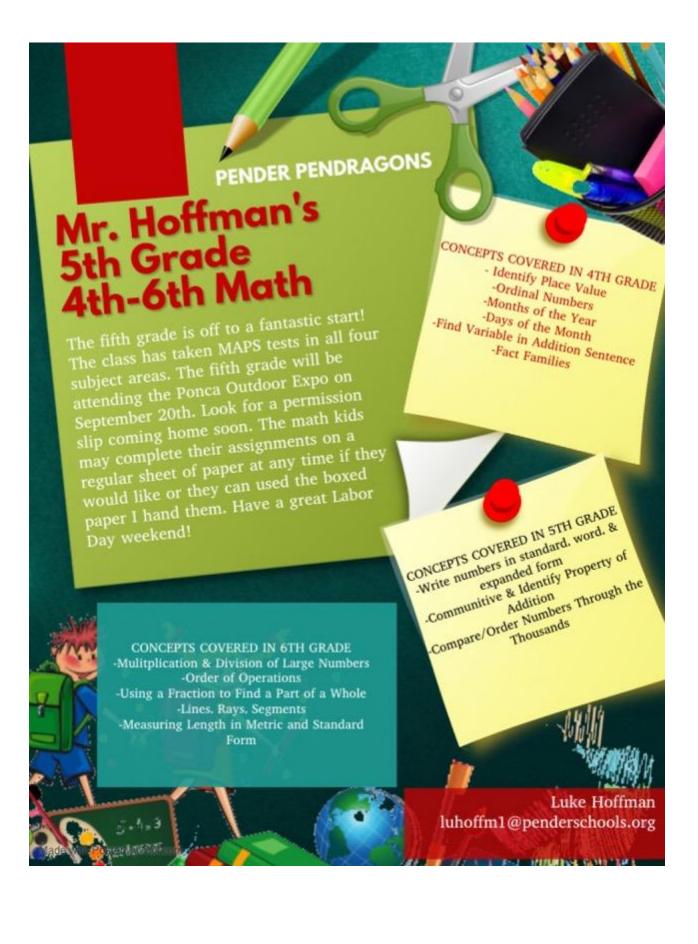
#### Dates to Remember

- ☐ *9/11-*2:30 p.m. Dismissal
- ☐ *9/16*-Homecoming Week
- ☐ 9/25-Farm Safety Day
- ©Remember to look for Thursday Folders
- ©Download the app for *Seesaw*. I sent the sheet home last week. If you need additional information, please let me know.
- Olf you have any box tops, please send them to school.

#### Notes from the teacher:

- $\sqrt{4^{th}}$  Science- Describe how technology has helped scientists make more accurate models.
- $\sqrt{5}^{\text{th}}$  Science- Demonstrate proper and safe use of science tool and be able to record data from repeated trials.
- √ 6<sup>th</sup> Science- Describe the scientific process and engineering process.





#### Mrs. Miller's 5th Grade Homeroom

#### 4-5-6 Reading August 29, 2019

4th Grade Spelling Lesson 3	5th Grade Spelling Lesson 3	6th Grade Spelling Lesson 3	
skill crime grind tonight brick flight live chill delight build ditch decide witness wind district inch sigh fright remind split  Challenge ignorant recognize advice twillight	Long /i/ and /o/	<u>Vowels /ou/, /oo/, /o/,</u>	
		<u>/oi/</u>	
skill	sign		
crime	groan	mound	
grind	reply	gloomy	
tonight	thrown	caution	
brick	strike	annoy	
flight	mighty	dawdle	
live	stroll	counter	
chill	compose	haughty	
delight	dough	rejoice	
build	height	devour	
ditch	excite	thoughtful	
decide	apply	flawless	
witness	slight	maroon	
wind	define	droop	
district	odor	doubt	
inch	spider	bamboo	
sigh	control	hoist	
fright	silent	oyster	
remind	brighten	exhausted	
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recognize	reproach	bountiful	
advice	defy	aloof	
twilight	plight	adjoin	
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Dates to Remember:		•	
Dates to Remember:	Tara Miller		
9/2: NO SCHOOL	402-385-3433		
9/11: 1 <sup>ST</sup> 2:30 Early	tamille1@penderschools.org		
Dismissal	"Kindness is the language the deaf can hear and the		
Disillissai	blind can see." -Mark Twain		



Mrs. Kira Swinton kiswint1@penderschools.org (402) 385-3244 Mr. Mitchell Mailloux mimaill1@penderschools.org (402) 385-3244

#### **Special Education Team Members**

Kelly Ballinger- Special Education Director

Kira Swinton-K-3 Special Education Teacher

Kayla Brewer- Autism Program Teacher

Mitchell Mailloux-4-6 Special Education Teacher

Tami Nelson-7-12 Special Education Teacher

Cathy Schroeder- Speech-Language Pathologist

Leah Clark- School Psychologist

Chelsea Umscheid- Occupational Therapist



ABA - Applied Behavior Analysis

ABA is a scientific discipline concerned with applying techniques based upon the principles of learning to change behavior of social significance.

#### App/Website of the week Marble Math



Based on the Common Core
Curriculum, Marble Math Junior is
an engaging way for early
elementary students to practice
mental math. Earn new marbles
and collect bonuses while
reinforcing key concepts in pursuit
of a high score. But watch out
math whizzes! You'll need to be
focused and nimble to avoid the
obstacles in your path.



#### Mrs. Welch's Classroom News

The Pendragon
Academy at Pender
Public School
provides
individualized
solutions for
challenging
behaviors while
accelerating
learning and
increasing
independence for
students with
unique needs.

#### Vocabulary of the Week:

Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)

a method of therapy used to improve or change specific behaviors.

#### **Upcoming Events**

September 2<sup>nd</sup>: No School
September 16<sup>th</sup>: Homecoming Week
September 17<sup>th</sup>: Blood Drive

What We Are Learning This Week...

At the beginning of the school year our students were tested by students from Missouri State using our new PEAK curriculum assessment for the 3<sup>rd</sup> times. Our students worked extremely hard and impressed the students from Missouri State. We are excited to get our results back and start implementing the PEAK curriculum with our students.



#### Reading Intervention Teacher Mrs. Miller

Here is a wonderful overview about the importance of reading each day!

# Why Can't I Skip My 20 Minutes of Reading Tonight?

Student "A" reads 20 minutes each day

3600 minutes in a school year

Student "B" reads 5 minutes each day

900 minutes in a school year

Student "C" reads 1 minute each day

180 minutes in a school year

#### 1,800,000 words



90th percentile

#### 282,000 words



50th percentile

#### 8,000 words



10th percentile

By the end of 6<sup>th</sup> grade Student "A" will have read the equivalent of 60 whole school days. Student "B" will have read only 12 school days. Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary? Which student would you expect to be more successful in school...and in life?

(Nagy & Herman, 1987)

#### Beyond the Bell

# Pendragon Afterschool Program September Schedule

Monday September 2 – NO SCHOOL

September 9, 23,30 - Outside/inside play

depending on weather

September 16 – Secret Kindness

**Tuesday** September 3, 10, 17, 24 – Outside/inside play

depending on weather

**Wednesday** September 4 - Outside/inside play depending

on weather

September 11 – Activity

September 18 - Extension Office "Rocking

School Bus, Pom Pom, Slingshot"

September 25 – Activity – Secret Agent

**Thursday** September 5, 12, 26 - Outside/inside play

depending on weather September 19 - Activity

**Friday** No After School Program on Fridays

#### **Programming Notes:**

If parents have concerns about the activities during the after school program they should contact the elementary principal, Kelly Ballinger at 402-385-3244 ext. 2150 or keballi1@penderschools.org