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## Pender

## Elementary

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## 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


## Classroom News

## 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 |
| 1. nut | muffin |
| 11. net | peanut |
| 12. hot | mask |
| 13. get | get |
| 14. not | not |
| 15. lunch | lunch |
| 16. spend | spend |

## 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

## OTHIRD GRADE HAPPENINGS Week of August 26-30 th

## Read

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.

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

## Math

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

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

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 $4^{\text {th }}$
- Battle of the Books starts September 3rd!



# Weekly News Edition 

## Life and Times of $4^{\text {th }}$ Grade \& Writing Class

Pender P.R.I.D.E. $\sim$ Preparation $\sim$ Respect $\sim$ Integrity $\sim$ Determination $\sim$ Excellence

## Writing Class

MAPS testing
$4^{\text {th }}-6^{\text {th }}$ grade spent the week taking MAPS tests in writing class. This test is in language and tests knowledge of the writing process, composing sertences and paragraphs, and proofreading and editing skills.
$4^{\text {th }}$ Grade: Building ideas to write fromis our focus in $4{ }^{\text {th }}$ 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.
$5^{\text {th }}$ and $6^{\text {th }}$ 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 Jeremy ThatcherDragon Hatcher. Students will be discovering magic shops and returning home with a magical itemand strange instructions. I look forward to their creat ivity 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.

## Seesau

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()


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

* Graptics coutesy Google images



## 5th Grade

## Mrs. English

## Dat es to Remember

9/11-2:30 p.m. Dismissal
$\square$ 9/16-Homecoming Week
$\square$ 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.
©if you have any box tops, please send them to school.

## Notes from the teacher:

$\sqrt{ } 4^{\text {th }}$ 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.
$\sqrt{ } 6^{\text {th }}$ Science- Describe the scientific process and aSCHOOL BUS engineering process.


##  <br> 4-5-6 Reading <br> August 29, 2019



## Special Education Classroom News



## 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 <br> Behavior Analysis (ABA)

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

Upcoming Events
September $2^{\text {nd }}$ : No School
September $16^{\text {th }}$ : Homecoming Week
September 17 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ : 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 $3^{\text {rd }}$ 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.


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" <br> reads 20 minutes <br> each day | Student " $B$ " <br> reads 5 minutes <br> each day | Student " $C$ " <br> reads 1 minute <br> each day |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3600 minutes in <br> a school year <br> 900 minutes in <br> a school year <br> 180 minutes in <br> a school year |  |  |
| 1,800,000 words |  |  |

$B y$ the end of $6^{\text {th }}$ 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 <br> Pendragon Afterschool Program September Schedule 

Monday September 2 - NO SCHOOL September 9, 23,30 - Outside/inside play depending on weather<br>September 16 - Secret Kindness<br>Tuesday September 3,10,17, 24 - Outside/inside play depending on weather<br>Wednesday September 4-Outside/inside play depending on weather<br>September 11 - Activity<br>September 18 - Extension Office "Rocking<br>School Bus, Pom Pom, Slingshot"<br>September 25 - Activity - Secret Agent<br>Thursday $\quad$ September 5,12, 26 - Outside/inside play depending on weather<br>September 19-Activity<br>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

