

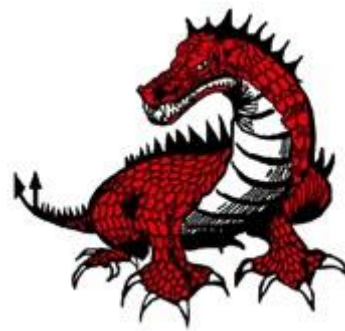
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# **Pender Elementary eNews**



**January 20, 2020**



## Preschool News

Numbers, nuts, nests, and New Year-  
This week we have been learning about the  
letter Nn!

We had fun playing number bingo, playing  
with some new toys, and learning how  
mother and father birds build nests.  
We also practiced putting nuts and bolts  
together!

Next week we will be learning about the  
letter O- maybe we will find our friend, Olaf,  
learn about owls, and all the creatures in  
the ocean!

I'm sure we all wish we were there in  
person during this cold time of the year!



# Our Kindergarten Classroom News

The Week of January 13-17

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## Upcoming Events

**January 22, 29** Dismiss at 2:30

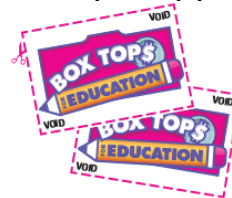
**February 19** Parent-Teacher Conferences 3-9

**February 21** No School

## Reminders

New Sight words:  
on, came, but, this,  
find, from

Remember  
scanning using the  
"Box Tops" app



RED folders will  
continue to come  
home every  
Monday, Tuesday,  
and Thursday.

## Our Learning

Language Arts- blending and segmenting sounds, vowel sounds, reading with expression, sequencing events in a story, making predictions

Math- Identifying and ordering numbers 1-20, identifying numbers before, after, and between, identifying one cup

## At-Home Practice

We continued writing opinion this week. Ask your child about their "favorites" (animal, food, thing to play with, etc.) and ask them why it is their favorite.



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

Week of January 13-17

## A Peek at the Week

Reading: Compare and Contrast, long e, -ng -nk, define words, punctuation

Spelling: long e

Grammar: Compound Sentences

Writing: Personal Narrative

Math: add 2, measurement, dimes and pennies, dividing a shape in half

## Spelling Words

(20-24)

1. play
2. grain
3. sail
4. mail
5. may
6. rain
7. way
8. day
9. stay
10. pain

## Upcoming Dates

January

- 22, 329-2:30 Dismissal
- 27-101<sup>st</sup> Day of school

## Reminders

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

# Classroom News

Mrs. Sheila Dahlman & Mrs. Vicki Smith

**January 13-17**

## A peek at the week

### Language Arts:

- + Humorous/Realistic Fiction
- + Vocabulary, fluency
- + Spell base words with -ed, -ing
- + Cause/effect, infer/predict
- + Understanding characters
- + root words/schwa sound
- + homographs
- + abbreviations
- + Writing processes

### Math:

- + Addition of Basic Facts
- + Subtract 0, 1, 2, 10
- + Adding 3 two-digit numbers
- + Reading a Thermometer
- + Create overlapping geometric shapes

### Social Studies:

- + Colonial America

### Science:

- + Energy and Matter

## Spelling Words 1-24

None - Study for Spelling Bee on  
Monday January 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:30  
a.m.

## Upcoming dates to remember

**Jan 15, 22, 29** - 2:30 Dismissal

**January 27** - Spelling Bee 8:30

# THIRD GRADE HAPPENINGS

January 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>

**Reading:** In reading, students spent time identifying theme in a literary text. They also reviewed point of view. In grammar students used quotation marks correctly.

**Math:**

This week's skills: Equal Groups Stories, Bar Graphs, Square Numbers, Area

Next week's skills:

Multiplication Facts: 9s, Angles, Parallelograms, Polygons

**Science:**

Mrs. Gaer's class continued their study of fossils. The students will look at various fossils, make observations, and use logical reasoning to support their ideas of what fossils tell us about the past.

**Social Studies:** Mrs.

Hoffman's class continued their focus in economics. They discussed businesses in Pender and the types of goods and services provided here in Pender.

**Reminders:** \*\*STUDY FOR SPELLING BEE!\*\* Spelling Bee is January 27<sup>th</sup>!

- 2:30 Dismissal on Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Continue to fill out your Battle of the Books calendar
- Log those Box Tops through the app!

**Spelling Words (Contractions)**

I'd	he's	haven't	doesn't	let's
there's	wouldn't	what's	she's	aren't
hasn't	couldn't	he'd	they're	can't
isn't	we're	weren't		

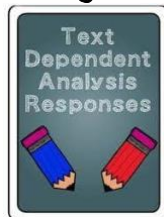
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# Weekly News Edition

## Life and Times of 4<sup>th</sup> Grade & Writing Class

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

### Writing Class



**4<sup>th</sup> Grade & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** We are diving in in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and reviewing in 5<sup>th</sup> grade the steps to write a Text Dependent Analysis essay. Students are learning how to find the most precise evidence to support their answer and use it to explain their answers.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** In 6<sup>th</sup> grade, we are beginning the persuasive writing process. This is not a new form of writing, but organizing our reasons effectively and using strong persuasive language is our focus. We hope to choose more sophisticated topics and successfully argue our points as the next couple weeks go by.

### Precept of the Week



Battle of the Books-This month's goal is to complete 3 choice activities. Students have a yellow sheet with various reading challenges and 3 need to be complete by February 3. Please encourage your child to read a little every night!

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Mrs. Schrunk's Class  
Classroom Newsletter  
January 16, 2019

### Dates to Remember

- Jan 22, 29 2:30 dismissals
- Jan 17<sup>th</sup>- Spelling Bee Written Test
- Jan 27- Spelling Bee-Oral Round at 11:00

### Reminders

- 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-

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** We learned about conflicts with Native Americans in the Weekly Readers. Reminder we usually do a weekly reader on Mondays and the crosswords will be due on Fridays. We also read in the textbook about what kind of land we can find in Nebraska.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** We finished our decade timelines. The students did such a nice job, hard to believe how much things have changed over the last 10 years.

#### Battle of the Books:

Read a book and complete the projects. A paper went home with the different project ideas the students can complete. They need to choose 3, some can be done while reading and some can be done when the book is finished. Turn in when all projects are completed.



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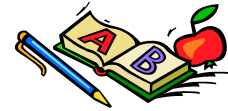


# 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Mrs. English

### Dates to Remember

- 1/27-Spelling Bee
- 2/19-P-T Conferences
- 2/21-No School



☺-The Spelling Bee List was sent home in the Thursday Folders.

☺ **This week's kindness challenge is simple. We challenge everyone to just be kind and do kind things. Smile at people in the hallways as you pass by, hold the door open for someone, give someone a compliment, ask someone how their day is going, tell someone you appreciate them, say please, thank you, yes m'am or yes sir. Treat everyone with kindness and respect, even those that are rude to you - not because they are nice, but because you are.**

### Notes from the teacher:

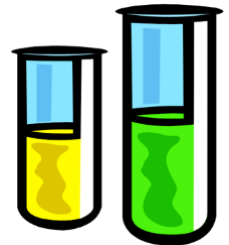
√ **4<sup>th</sup> Science**-Analyze circuits and explain how they work

**5<sup>th</sup> Science**-Students use standardized units of area to compare the quantity of fresh, salt and frozen water on Earth.

**6<sup>th</sup> Science**- Describe the composition of the atmosphere



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## PENDER PENDRAGONS

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

Battle of the Books for January is picking 3 activities out of 25 on a sheet of paper handed to students to complete over their book. The Spelling Bee written exam will be taking place this next week. Students should have a list of words. Please make sure you are getting updates on SeeSaw. If a student gets stuck on a math problem, they can go back to the lesson in parentheses under the problem to help complete it. The math kids may retake a test at any time. They are required to fix and retake a test if they get less than 15 problems correct.

### CONCEPTS COVERED IN 4TH GRADE

- Estimate to Determine Answers
- Find the Rate or Time in a Rate Word Problem
- Test
- Pictographs, Bar Graphs, Line Graphs, and Circle Graphs
- Find Two Fractions Equal to One

### CONCEPTS COVERED IN 5TH GRADE

- Write Geometric Shapes Using Letters
- Estimate to Find a Solution
- Subtract a Mixed Number from a Whole Number Greater than One
- Value of Decimals to Tenths & Hundredths
- Convert Lengths in Metric System

### CONCEPTS COVERED IN 6TH GRADE

- Express Probability as Fraction, Decimal, & Percent
- Add Mixed Numbers
- Identify Polygons
- Test
- Find Volume of 3D Shapes and Identify their Properties

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# Mrs. Miller's 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Homeroom

## 4-5-6 Reading January 17, 2020

**These words will be tested on Thursday, January 23.**

### 4th Grade Spelling Lesson 17

#### Words with Final /i/ & /s/

glance  
judge  
damage  
package  
twice  
stage  
carriage  
since  
practice  
marriage  
baggage  
office  
message  
bridge  
chance  
notice  
ridge  
manage  
palace  
bandage

#### Challenge

fringe  
average  
fleece  
fragrance  
excellence

### 5th Grade Spelling Lesson 17

#### More Words w/ -ed or -ing

tiring  
borrowed  
freezing  
delivered  
whispered  
losing  
decided  
amazing  
performing  
resulting  
related  
attending  
damaged  
remarked  
practicing  
supported  
united  
expected  
amusing  
repeated

#### Challenge

assigned  
entertaining  
operated  
rehearsing  
donated

### 6th Grade Spelling Lesson 17

#### Suffixes -able, -ible, -ate

visible  
enjoyable  
celebrate  
incredible  
horrible  
desperate  
cooperate  
valuable  
appreciate  
considerate  
audible  
delicate  
washable  
graduate  
capable  
miserable  
sensible  
fortunate  
noticeable  
responsible

#### Challenge

evacuate  
irritable  
exaggerate  
improbable  
elaborate

**Dates to Remember:**  
**1/22: 2:30 Early Dismissal**  
**1/27: Oral Spelling Bee for  
qualifiers**  
**2/19: P/T Conferences**

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\*\*Keep reading at home for Battle of the Books.

## 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.

### ABA Vocabulary of the Week:

**NET**- Natural Environment Training is a type of ABA where learning occurs incidentally and often playfully in natural environments, such as at the bus stop, a local playground, or during dinner.

### Upcoming Events

January 27<sup>th</sup>: Spelling Bee  
February 12<sup>th</sup>: Thurston County Spelling Bee  
February 19<sup>th</sup>: Parent/Teacher Conferences

### What We Are Learning This Week...

This week we are working on different yoga moves that will help us learn how to stretch and take deep breaths.



# Special Education

Newsletter



HELLO!

## 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

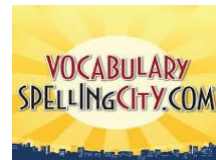
Leah Clark- School Psychologist

Chelsea Umscheid- Occupational Therapist



## **ECSE- Early Childhood Special Education**

Early childhood education is a branch of education theory that relates to the teaching of children from birth up to the age of eight. Traditionally, this is up to the equivalent of third grade.



## **Spelling City**

Spelling City is a game-based learning tool with a school-home connection! Students can log into their accounts and access their teachers' lists and assignments from virtually any device-desktop computers, laptop/notebook computers, tablets, iPads, iPhones, and Android phones-at

“  
Education is  
the most **POWERFUL**  
**WEAPON!**  
which *you* can use  
to *change*  
the **WORLD.**  
”  
-Nelson Mandela



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

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## Is it reading or is it math...

Here are lists of math vocabulary words by grade level that will help your child in both reading and math!

### First Grade Math Vocabulary Terms

- Algebraic Thinking – alike, similar, object, match, size
- Base Ten Operations – horizontal, vertical, whole number, compare, solve, value, digit
- Measurement & Data – month, chart, measure, thermometer, likely, pint, quart
- Geometry – size, intersect, corner, curves, location, in front of, line of symmetry, sphere

Try to use some of these words in conversation at home.

Examples:

-Let's measure if your book will fit on the shelf.

-Use the line of symmetry to fold your clothes.

For a complete list of words and activities go to: [www.spellingcity.com](http://www.spellingcity.com)

On the home page scroll down to the Featured Vocabulary and Spelling Lists on the left side and select Math.



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

Mrs. Miller

# Beyond the Bell

## *Pendragon Afterschool Program*

### *January Schedule*

<b>Monday</b>	January 13, 20, 27 – Outside/inside play depending on weather
<b>Tuesday</b>	January 14, 21, 28 – Outside/inside play depending on weather
<b>Wednesday</b>	January 15, 22 – Outside/inside play depending on weather January 29 – Snowball structure/Extension Office
<b>Thursday</b>	January 16, 23, 30- Outside/inside play depending on weather
<b>Friday</b>	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