

# News from Room 10

## For the week of October 3, 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	4H Enrollment meeting 6:30 p.m.	GYM SHOES		Progress reports come home

It was truly a pleasure to meet so many parents, grandparents, and families on Curriculum Night! If you couldn't make it, I hope you had a chance to look over the information that was sent home. Please feel free to call, email or stop in if you have any questions.

Your child may have already have informed you, but in case he or she hasn't, I wanted to let you know how much fun the class is having reading the book, Old Yeller. It is truly a classic. We are sharing it as a read aloud. Once we finish it we will take a bit of time to watch the Disney movie and do some comparing and contrasting.

In our regular reading instruction, your child has been placed in a group that was determined by both his or her NWEA score and QRI score. These groups are flexible and will be fluid throughout the year. The students are expected to work independently during reading time, as well as meet with me in a small group. We are working on keeping our voices at the whisper level so the groups meeting with me can function and everyone else can focus.

On another note, some of the students are having difficulty moving from class to class with a pencil pouch, math book, science book, water bottle, etc. Please talk to your child. If this is a problem for him or her, it is fine for you to send in a bag to help in this transition. A reusable shopping bag would work well. Not a book bag that has to be opened and closed, but a simple little handled bag that can easily be accessed. Thanks for your help.

**Writing:** We have been learning about the four types of sentences, subjects, predicates, and conjunctions. This week we will focus on run-on sentences. There will be a grammar test on these topics on Monday, October 10. A study guide will come home on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. It must be completed and returned by Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. We will go over it in class on Friday, so your child can bring it home and review it over the weekend.



**GO GREEN! GO WHITE!**

As always if you have any questions or comments please contact me:

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**Dates to remember!**

Tuesday, October 4  
 4-H Enrollment 6:30 p.m.  
 In media center

Friday, October 7  
 Progress reports

Wednesday, October 19  
 PTO Meeting 7 p.m.  
 In media center

Friday, October 28  
 PTO BINGO 6 -8 P.M.  
 In gym

**SCIENCE:** We are "growing" our knowledge of plants. This last week we observed the rate of the growth of mold, took a close look at roots, and experimented with stems. Next week we will look closely at leaves. Please remind your child to bring in a leaf or 2 for an activity we will be doing. We will continue to collect our data on mold growth and learn to graph our results. Finally, we will work on writing about the connection between photosynthesis and cellular respiration. We will tie this all back to the sun as earth's most important source of energy. We will work on communicating this idea in written form accompanied by a diagram.

**Math:** (Kavanaugh) We will begin our next unit on adding and subtracting decimals. **There will be a quiz on Tuesday, October 4th.** Students have been making great progress on their multiplication facts. Keep studying those facts! They will be starting xtramath in ISM, but extra practice at home wouldn't hurt :)

**Math:** (Immonen) We will finish our first unit, *Factors and Multiples*, next week. The last few topics to cover include exponents and the distributive property. Students will then receive a review on October 5<sup>th</sup>, and the test will be on **Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.**

Throughout the rest of October, we will also continue practicing our multiplication facts, as well as begin Unit 2.

**Math:** (DeRuiter) We will continue to work on decimals and introduce powers of 10. A study guide will come home Friday and Test on Monday 10/10. Watch for a new communication tool is called "Teacher in Touch" coming home from for the Learning Center.

**Social Studies:** First test on Thursday, October 6. Study guide went home on Wednesday, September 28. Maps came home on Thursday, September 29. Your child should also know how to correctly write his or her complete address.

Remember, if your child does not bring home a study guide, you can always go to my website and find it there. Spelling words are always there as well. Just ask your child what group they are in and click on that group's name.