

All-Star News

Thank You

Dear All-Star Parents,

Thank you for all of your support and help with our Halloween party. It was a huge success. I look forward to seeing all of you again during conferences. Lets continue to work together to help your child succeed. Here are a couple of tips to help your All-Star at home:

- Have them read out loud. This way they can hear any mistakes and see if that words fits in the sentence. This will also help with their fluency.
- Make sure to give positive praise as they read and even take some time to

have them retell the story to you.

- Go over with them who the main character is, the setting, and the plot. You can even go over the “Genre” with them which is what type of story it is, fiction or non fiction.

Spelling:

Please continue to have your all-star practice their spelling with you at home. We give our spelling tests every Friday morning and they will get new words to take home on Fridays as well.

Fun Website:

<http://scratch.mit.edu/messages/>

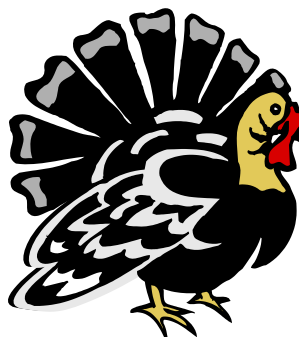
- Students can create their own stories and games

<http://www.spellingcity.com/>

- Students can use their own spelling words to play games.

<http://www.kidsmathgamesonline.com/>

- A variety of math games that cover many standards.



Happy Thanksgiving

We are excited to be able to use 2 ipods in our classroom. We are still looking for a few gently used ones for our class to use with our math and lang. arts centers.

Needs:

A classroom set of ear phones to take down to use in the computer lab.

Water color paint to use at one of our spelling centers.

Highlighter tape to use in our literature groups.

THIS MONTH IN CLASS

- **Science:** Discovering what matter and mass are and we how use them in everyday life.
- **Lang. Arts:** Continuing to focus on genres, main characters, settings, plots, as well as comparing and contrasting text.
- **Writing:** Working on a Personal narratives, that have a beginning, middle, and end. We will also work on including descriptive words in our stories. We will also introduce fantasy stories.
- **Social Studies:** Continuing to learn about our communities.

Classroom Website

Our classroom website has been updated so that you can subscribe to it and receive updates when the website is updated.

I hope that you will subscribe. On the website you will find the tab “All-Star News.” Click on it and look for the email subscription

tab. Once you have entered your email address you should receive updates as the blog is being updated. You will also see what is going on in the “All-Star” classroom such as pictures, all-star activities and even some ideas to help your all-star at home.

One tab that is new and on there and is a website called “symbaloo.” It is a website that acts like a library. It holds all of my favorite all-star websites that are safe, fun, and educational. Have your all-star take a look at some of them or look at some together.