

May News



Ms. Bercume

Reminders

On May 1st we will have our First Grade field trip to the Community Harvest Project located in Grafton, MA. We will be planting seedlings to bring home, undergo nutrition lessons, vegetable tasting, and farming. Please remember to dress accordingly for the weather, apply sunscreen/bug spray before school, wear sneakers, and arrive to school on time. We will be leaving at 9:00am.

Reading/Science

Students have become familiar with the elements of a folktale and have been using their knowledge to continue deciphering between fiction and nonfiction texts. This month we will collect information in a science notebook to present at our Project's Fair on May 30th. We will be studying and exploring seeds and their germination process, and needs for survival. We will collect sketches, data, and observations over time during our exploration.

Important Dates

May 1- Governance Council Meeting 7:30am
May 1- Grade 1 Field Trip
May 13- PTG Meeting 6:30pm

May 17- Memorial Day Sing Along 9:30 am
May 23- Scholastic Book Fair Begins
May 27- Memorial Day (No School)
May 30- Projects Fair 5:30-6:30 pm

Writing

We continue to work hard on our TREE opinion writing- Topic, Reasons (3), Explain, Ending. We continue to answer questions such as "Who would win? A polar bear vs. a grizzly bear". This month we will continue both our TREE opinions and TIDE fact writing! Students are expected to form an opinion based on research on a given topic, and use facts provided to "back up" their ideas. Students continue to focus on the structure of a well made, complete sentence as they transfer their organizers!

Math

Our mathematicians have been working very hard on Topics 10 and 11. We have been adding and subtracting double digit numbers using strategies such as hundred charts, number lines, cubes, drawings, and mental math! Knowing our basic facts helps us greatly as we work with more challenging numbers, so please continue to work with your child at home. We will now transition to measuring and length. This is a great opportunity to practice using tools to explore lengths of various objects at our homes!