

Home Words - Junior Teacher Report September 2011



Welcome back! We are off to a great start so far. I have had an incredible amount of parental support already - thank you! It feels amazing to work as a team to educate our children together. The juniors have had a very successful first week of school, establishing routines and welcoming new families. Keep following us on Twitter for daily highlights!

Here is what is on for this month:

Literacy

- ✧ focus on non-fiction, specifically autobiographies and biographies
- ✧ social media - our "digital footprint", Twitter and "Fakebook"
- ✧ spelling program begins this week - *focus on spelling patterns and word families, not just memorizing words* (10 words are introduced on Mondays, written into agendas and a quiz follows on Fridays)
- ✧ Literacy in Motion began last week - remind students to come prepared to run every Thursday, weather permitting

Math

- ✧ focus is on number patterns
- ✧ work on multiplication facts at home
- ✧ working on collaboration and group-work skills in Math Challenges

Science

- ✧ focus on the human body and organ systems

Drama

- ✧ focus on body language and movements
- ✧ establishing a community
- ✧ "ice breakers"

Art

- ⤴ focus on the element of colour
- ⤴ technical colour study
- ⤴ "True Colours"

Important Dates

Fri. Sept. 16th - Public Library (please send in library cards)

Thurs. Sept. 22nd - Terry Fox Walk (pledges)

Fri. Sept. 23rd - PA Day (no school students)

Thurs. Sept. 29th - Campbell's Orchard (need drivers)

TBA: Meet the Teacher