



Fig Class News

September 19th – 23rd, 2011



We are nearing the end of our 6-week normalization period, and students are settling into their classroom routines.

This week, students will begin using “K to the 8th Power”, a computer-based technology education program that builds computer skills while reinforcing core reading, writing and math skills. Check out the link on our CMP web-site!

Highlights of this week’s lessons:

LANGUAGE: collective nouns and symbolizing practice

MATH: checkerboard multiplication, rounding, decimals

GEOMETRY: positions of a straight line

CULTURAL ROTATIONS:

- * Book report preparation & strategies – Mrs. Gerstle
- * Biomes (4th) or the Water Cycle (5th) – Ms. Yeager
- * Research projects for the World Fair – Mrs. Sanders
- * Writing practice for research projects – Mr. Anschutz
- * Perspective pencil drawings – Mrs. Placek
- * Literature circle reading/discussion – Mrs. Tattersall

— Mrs. Sanders and Mrs. Tattersall

Dates to Remember

- 9/23 Minimum Day**
(release time 11:45am)
- 9/23 Field Trip Deposit Due**
(\$25 non-refundable deposit)
- 9/23 Newbery Book Report
Written Preparation Due**
- 9/30 Completed Chaperone
Interest forms due** (with all requirements up to date)
- 10/11 4th grade Field Trip –
Maidu Center**
- 10/17 World Fair 5:00 – 7:00pm**

Check out the CMP Newsletter and monthly calendar for more details!

Homework

(Due Friday Sept. 23rd)

- * 4 pages of Math “Key to”
- * Spelling Lesson 3

Reminder: Please review your child’s homework for accuracy, and initial each page.

Special Person

This week’s Special Person is fourth-grader **Cole**. Cole’s favorite subjects in school are art and social studies; at home he likes to play soccer and build with Legos.

Next week’s special person is Quinn.

“Never help a child with a task at which he feels he can succeed.”

— Maria Montessori

Newbery Book Report oral presentations are the week of September 26th