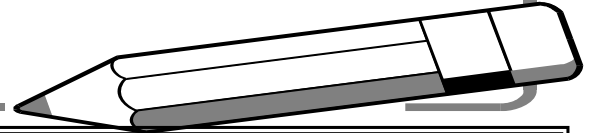


# Laurel News

October 3, 2011



## A Note from the Teachers:

**Last week in Laurel:** Last week in Laurel we started our study of the verb and followed up with more symbolizing parts of speech. We also launched into homophones, leaving only homographs and homonyms to thoroughly confuse Mr. Tom ☺. In math we studied reducing fractions and adding fractions. There was a lot of research done on the 5 Kingdoms, especially prokaryotes! Kids are doing well with their individual lesson plans!

**Kids Night Out:** We will be hosting our Halloween Kids Night Out again. This is a popular event and we'll be looking for a lot of parent volunteers. Let us know if you can help.

**World Fair:** Our World Fair is coming up on October 17. We look forward to all the student projects and transforming our classroom into an African themed experience!

**Cultural:** Our kids studied parts of a leaf and the 5 kingdoms of living things; practiced for the Thanksgiving performance; simultaneous contrast in art. Cultural is a wonderful part of the day and enriches the students' education.

**October 12/13 In School Field Trip:** We will be visited by Rachel Dillon who is an author and award winning artist. She will be presenting about endangered species. The visit is free of charge to families; she will have her book available for a discounted price of \$14.

**Conference Sign-Ups:** There will be a sign up sheet just inside the classroom. Please stop by and choose a time that works well for you!

Ms. Witwer and Mr. Tom

## Dates to Remember

10/4	Cross Country Finals
10/10	Run-a-thon/Cross Country Party
10/12-10/14	Conferences/Minimum Days
10/12-10/13	In School Field Trip
10/13	School Assembly
10/14	Spirit Day-Wear Red
10/17	World Fair, 5:00-7:00
10/20	Taylor Creek Field Trip
10/25	No School-Teacher Observation Club M open
10/28	Kids Night Out-Laurel sponsored

**Special Person:** Our special person last week was Easton. Easton shared his football card collection as well as his new Star Wars book. We also got to see his soccer jersey from France-very interesting! Thank you for sharing all of your things, Easton!

### **Coming Up:**

10/2/11	Hailey
10/16/11	Jordan
10/23/11	Logan

**Book Fair:** The book fair is Tuesday and Wednesday, October 4-5. Students will be given an opportunity during the day to browse and purchase books. The Fair will also be open late if you want to come by after school with your child to purchase books.

## Homework and Assignments:

**Spelling:** Lesson 5 in spelling workbooks; test will be Friday

**Math Facts:** 3 minutes of timed math facts each night

**Read 20 minutes:** Please read for 20 minutes each night and complete log

**Practical Life:** One job at home, signed by parents in P.L. log

**Conceptual Math:** Conceptual Math homework is in purple folders

