

Patton's Post



Everything you need to know from Room 22
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What's happening in Room 22?

Spelling: After our MRI session last week, some changes are in store for how spelling is done at the 5th grade level. The details are being worked out, and we hope to implement the new program after camp. Therefore, there will not be a spelling list for this week.

Weekly Homework: This week's homework was issued to students today. Each week, class time is spent discussing each of the assignments, and time is provided for your child to complete the sample problem. Students share their answers to

the sample problem either with a partner or with the whole class. Unfortunately, some students are turning in the homework with the sample problem incomplete or blank. If a student turns in incomplete work, or the assignments are not signed, I will return the work to be completed or signed and returned to me the next school day.

Planners: Each day, students fill out their planners at 3:30 by copying information off of the SMARTboard.

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Important Dates



- Sept. 20 ~ PTC Fund-raiser is due
- Sept. 22—Picture Day!
- Sept. 24 ~ Progress reports will be sent home with each child
- Sept. 26-30 ~ 5th Grade Camp
- Oct. 1 ~ NO SCHOOL FOR CAMPERS

Next early release day is October 14th.

5th Grade Camp

5th graders leave for camp on Sept. 26th. THAT'S THIS SUNDAY!!! It looks like the weather will be great! This week, you will receive a schedule for the drop-off time at camp, as well as another copy of the supply list. Be sure



to help your child pack, and be sure your child is able to carry his/her things. He/she needs to be able to carry luggage from the cabin to the parking lot. Let me know if you have any questions.

**Parents,
Please sign and
return the back
page of this
newsletter.**

What's Happening in Room 22...continued

Planners continued...

The information that is posted on the board is based on what was assigned and/or completed in class during the day, as well as any homework that is assigned. **Students have been told to highlight their homework assignments in their planners.** I am reminding them of this expectation regularly. If your child is still not highlighting homework, please remind him/her to do so. You can even write a note to your son or daughter right in the planner to remind him/her. There are two rows in the planner that are not labeled with a subject title but are used. The very top

row is used to label the day of the week and the specials that students go to (example: A day, P.E.). This helps students plan ahead and wear the appropriate shoes for P.E. or to remember what to bring to music class. The bottom row (under Soc. St./Science) is used for little reminders or to write what handouts to look for. An example for today would be "newsletter" which would be written in the space provided. Please contact me with any questions or concerns regarding planners.



Homework: Students can expect homework about 3-4 nights per week in addition to the Weekly Homework. Parent support is greatly appreciated in all school-related matters. Weekly Homework should be completed with a parent/guardian. Other homework assignments can be completed by the child independently. Math is most commonly assigned for homework to provide additional practice of skills taught in class.

For more information about homework and other issues, you can visit the "For Parents" page on my site at www.mrspatton.com.



OPEN HOUSE WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!!

I want to thank the parents that were able to attend Open House 2.0 last week. It was my pleasure to share so much information with you in order to better prepare you for your child's fifth grade year. I hope that all of you in attendance (16 parents!) found it worth your time. As we continue on this journey together, please do not hesitate to con-

tact me by phone, note, or email if you ever have any questions or concerns. I check both email accounts daily and will make every effort to reply within the same day. By phone, you can reach me after school between 4:00 and 4:30, daily. In addition, you can reach me during my plan times each day. This schedule is in your child's binder.



Dear Parents,

Thank you for taking time out of your busy lives to read about the events in our learning community. This newsletter is a valuable form of communication between school and home. Please provide any feedback in the space provided below. This documentation assures me that you have the most up-to-date information about our classroom.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jennifer Patton

My child's name: _____

Parent signature _____ Date _____

If you were unable to attend Open House 2.0, I have sent home the packet of information. Please let me know that you received this information by marking the appropriate box below. Thank you!

- I attended Open House 2.0.
- I did not attend Open House 2.0. I **have** received the packet of information.
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