Mrs. Tritch’s Classroom



Newsletter #1

September 3 – September 6, 2013

**Homework:**

**Writing Prompts: ½ page each day to be written in writer’s notebook section of literacy notebook.**

**Monday-** You are in charge of creating a human robot. Describe with details how it looks, acts, and what it can do. How you think this new robot will change our lives?

**Tuesday-** What job would you like to have when you grow up? What do you need to do in order to achieve this dream job?

**Wednesday-** Describe your family. Tell me about your parents, siblings, grandparents, or pets!

**Thursday-** What is one invention that you think is very important in your life? Why?

**Vocabulary Words:**

**1.** peer

**2.** self-discipline

**3.** responsibility

**4.** respect

**No test this Friday. We will practice in class this week.**

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**What we are working on:**

*Literacy-* We are working on CAFÉ strategies and integrating the Daily 5 into our literacy block. Keep reading those “good fit” books! Ask your child what **IPICK** stands for when choosing a good fit book. ☺ We are working on daily vocabulary lessons and using more academic language in our classroom discussions.

*Math-* Students are reviewing multiplication with two and three digit numbers.

*Science-* Students will begin a unit on cells- the basic building blocks of life! This will lead in to our unit on the human body systems.

**Upcoming events/ news:**

Sept. 10- PTA Meeting

Sept. 12- AIG Night 6:30 PM

Sept. 17- 1st and 2nd Grade Curriculum Night

6:30 PM

Sept. 19 – 3rd -5th Grade Curriculum Night

6:30 PM

**Homework:**

**Reading-** 30 minutes each night.

This week, focus on the following strategies:

1. Check for understanding (asking “Who?” and “What?”)
2. Tune in to interesting words
3. Cross-checking for accuracy- “Does it look right, sound right, make sense?”

