

Navigator News



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Math:

Fourth Grade

- We just finished Unit 5 and will move onto division, number stories, and angle measurement in Unit 6.
- Students are realizing how important it is to know basic facts! Advanced multiplication is much harder without quick fact recall.
- Math Night is February 1st from 5-6 pm. Join Summit School for math games!
- Some 4th graders are participating in Math is Cool. Practice begins January 29.

Third Grade

- We are continuing to work on geometry. This week students have learned about the properties of polygons—triangles, quadrangles, and pentagons. We are learning about angles and how to measure degrees.
- Multiplication facts are a necessity as the students get older. Please take 5 minutes each day to work on these facts as a family.

Expedition:

- We investigated static electricity this week.
- Students are working on creating their own labs. They are responsible for writing the lab, performing it, and presenting their results at the Energy Expo. These labs will be completed in class as a culmination of our energy mini-expedition. We hope to see you there on February 2nd.

Literacy:

- Literature circles continue for some students.
- We have begun looking at conventions as we edit our writing.
- We continue to read for important information in expository texts.

Community Time:

- Students participating in board games are encouraged to bring games from home.
- On February 2, at the beginning of the Energy Expo, there will be a musical showcase of past community times.

Homework:

- **It is imperative that students bring their planners to school every day. Please make sure you are looking at and signing your student's planner.** These are a necessary tool for organization and communication. If the planner is lost, a new one will need to be purchased for **\$5**.
- Read 30 minutes daily and record times in the reading log.
- **Please review Summit's dress standard with your student. Refer to the school website or ask your base camp teacher if you have any questions.**

Additional Information:

- Navigators have been spending one afternoon a week practicing keyboarding skills in the computer lab. If you are interested in continued practice at home, you may go to the following website:
www.sense-lang.org/typing

Upcoming Events:

- February 1—Math night 5-6 pm.
- Energy Expo- February 2 at 1:00 in the gym.
- February 14—Summit Spirit Day—Wear pink or red (dress standard still applies).
Navigator Valentine's Day parties will be 10:30-11:30.
- Feb. 7th and Feb 14th collaboration days.
- March 16—Summit Auction—**Volunteers and donations still needed!**