

Navigator News



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Fourth Grade Math

We are working through Unit 5 focusing on the different methods for multiplication of multi-digit numbers. Students are learning Partial Products, Lattice, and "Old School" methods. Students are asked to learn and practice all methods now. Later on, they will be able to use the method that works best for them.

Third Grade Math

The third grade classes have been working hard at understanding the concept of multiplication. Look for ways decimals and place value are represented in the world around you. *Continue to practice your multiplication fact families. Start with 0, 1, 2, 5, and 10.*

Expedition:

Navigators are learning about gray wolves. We have been studying the life cycles, physical description, and function of the wolf pack. We will continue to look at pack life in January as well as the history of the wolf population.

Literacy

Navigators are spending time focusing on grammar and usage. We will continue weekly focuses on different aspects of grammar and spelling.

*New book project assignments will be coming home next week and the genre focus is **biographies**. We will review and model the different aspects of the assignment. Feel free to begin looking for a biography with your student.*

We continue to use literacy time to enhance our expedition. Students will be using comprehension strategies as we read about wolves.

Reading Logs

Please remember that the reading log is the responsibility of Navigator students. You can help your child by reminding them to read and fill out the log. Please make sure it is the *student* who fills in the graph and answers the questions as graphing skills are part of the learning process.

****REMINDER****

Please take time to reflect and discuss with your children the importance of being a responsible student. Skills such as returning assignments on time, doing their best, and taking pride and ownership in their work are lifelong skills that are best started early.

Upcoming Events:

- January 14—Early Release/Collaboration
- January 19—No school/MLK Jr. holiday
- January 30—Reading logs due
- **February 3—CVSD Replacement Levy ballots due. Please remember to vote.**

