



MULTI AGE MEMOS

Upcoming Events:

Thanksgiving Break	November 24-26
November Lexile Books due	November 30

Team Time

Multi Age students will spend the month of November in mixed groups for team time. We will be rotating through 3 stations with 3 different games. Ask your multi ager what they did today!

Youth Handwriting Clinic



If you feel your child could benefit from the *Getting It Write Handwriting* program please see brochure sent home with your child. Assessments begins the week of November 15 and classes begin the week of November 30. For more information Northern Physical Therapy at contact www.northernpts.com, LisaSpan-gher@northernpts.com, or 866.997.6172.

Week of: November 15-19

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Desk Notes:

Thank so much for attending our parent teacher conferences this week! We enjoyed talking with you about your child. Please never hesitate to call or email us if you have questions about anything! :)

Book Order Due:

ACADEMIC UPDATES

3rd Grade

ELA: On our Menu this week for ELA is another lesson in Summarizing. This is a very important skill that we will practice all year. As you read aloud with your child at home please ask them to summarize each chapter. Before we know it, it will become second nature. In writing news, we spent this week looking at mentor texts and how those can influence our own writing.

Social Studies: We continue this week learning all about Michigan's landforms. We live in such a diverse state and there is so much to discover.

Math: As we continue our study of math word problems, the problems are getting tougher! Third graders are now working on multi-digit problems.

Science: Our animal research projects are almost complete, and we are anxious to move on to our next unit of study. We now turn our attention to light and sound.

4th Grade

ELA: This week's reading skills will be focusing on Fact and Opinion. This can be a hard skill for students! Talking about the language of opinions can be helpful. Students are also working on a quick publication of their 3rd writing piece. This piece of writing was totally choice based and represents their study of figurative language. Keep reading those lexile books as well!

Social Studies: We took an unexpected break from Social Studies this week to use the computer lab for typing. We'll rejoin our tour of the NE this week.

Math: We worked a lot with subtraction this week, and will review next week for a test on this chapter of study.

Science: Fun times in Science as we discovered this week that heat is produced by rubbing, burning and electricity. Ask your child about each experiment.

5th Grade

ELA: We've begun working hard on our next writing piece, a historical fiction story based in the settlement of Jamestown. In reading, we studied a selection called The Night of San Juan. We continue to discuss making inferences while we read as well as reviewing summarization. November lexile books should be well underway. Please try to have these books go back and forth between home and school daily. Thanks!

Social Studies: We have now moved on to the study of specific explorers during the age of exploration. For each explorer, we will chart their background, sponsor, motives, dates they explored, routes of exploration, and the impact of their exploration. This study will go well into next week with a test scheduled Tuesday, the 23rd.

Math: This week in math we used all that we have learned about decimals and whole numbers and applied that knowledge to reading different graphs. We will continue our interpretation of graphs this coming week.

Science: This week's focus in science will be on the relationship between mass and motion. Students have a hard time discerning the difference between mass and weight, and this lesson will help them deal with any inconsistencies.

