



# NICKERSON'S NEWS

## Language Arts

In Reading, we'll learn how an author can use a theme to convey a message about life. We'll continue working on story elements, like character and plot. In Writing, we'll continue with sentences. Student scores were very low on our first grammar/vocab quiz, so expect to see more homework coming home for these crucial skills.

## Math

We're finishing up our graphing/social studies map projects this week and beginning our data scrapbooks as well. We're going to extend the graphing unit another week so we can incorporate integers and decimal division (finding means/averages). As such, I'm postponing the Unit test until next Wed., but we will have a graphing quiz again this Wed.

## Science/S.S

In Science, we are finishing up our science tools and methods this week and will test on these concepts on Friday. In Social Studies, we will be working on states/capitals across the United States and their associated regions.

## Homework

- 1) Spelling/vocab hw & quiz due Fri
- 2) Grammar hw due T & Th; quiz Fri.
- 4) 30 minutes nightly reading recorded on log for Mon-Thurs; Parent initials now required!
- 5) TypingWeb lesson due by Fri.
- 6) x table quiz moved to FRIDAYS. Students will be graded on their growth, not the total number correct.
- 5) Math hw due T & Th; quiz on graphing operations on Wed.

## Specials

M: PE      T: Art      W: PE  
Th: Science Lab      Fri: PE

\*Wear sneakers for PE days!

## F.Y.I.

**Help Needed:** Just a reminder that I could use old **medicine droppers, pillows, CD/tape players, and newspapers or magazines.** I also have volunteer opportunities in class, so please let me know if you have time available.

**HW 911:** Please take a chance to review your child's hw nightly. While they are learning to be independent, they still need guidance at home.

One area I'm seeing consistent

**reading log.** The elapsed time is not being calculated correctly, which we will address in class. However, this is a difficult skill that needs consistent practice and correction from you. Please initial the elapsed time slot nightly after you have helped your child verify their calculations.

Another area of concern is **TypingWeb.com.** Students are telling me they're having difficulty logging in, but I see no problems on my end. Please assist your student this week for this assignment.

## BONUS ???

What's the difference between a line plot and a line graph?

## Calendar



**\*9/19** Class Pictures  
(MUST WEAR UNIFORM)

**\*9/27** 1st Quarter  
Progress Reports

**\*9/30** Book Fair begins!

**\*TBA** Parent conferences  
will be in a few weeks.  
More info coming soon.