



# NICKERSON'S NEWS

## Language Arts

We're going to delve into the nonfiction narrative text and compare/contrast with previously read fictional narratives. We'll focus on sequencing events within narratives this week. In writing, we're going to use the inspiration from our reading to compose a narrative essay. We'll also finish up our unit on sentence structure with a test on Fri. over simple & compound sentences punctuation, and subjects/predicates.

## Math

We will work on division through the next 3 weeks, beginning with 1 and 2 digit divisors. We will take a test next Wednesday on the basic division concepts. Mean, or average, continues to stump some of the students. This unit on division will reinforce this concept from our graphing unit and should clear up any remaining confusion.

## Science/S.S

In Science, we will explore our galaxy. We will learn what makes up our galaxy and why some stars are brighter than others. We'll assess our learning on the galaxy on Friday.

In Social Studies, we'll begin a look at the Earliest Americans, where they lived, what differences they had, and what happened to them.

## Homework

<u>Due</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Tue	* 30-min rdg log & initialed * Math hw
Wed	* 30-min rdg log & initialed * Grammar hw
Thu	* 30-min rdg log & initialed * Science/SS hw * Math hw
Fri	* 30-min rdg log, 1-page letter written response & initialed * Spelling/vocab hw * Spelling, vocab, reading, grammar & science quizzes * TypingWeb lesson

## Specials

M: PE      T: Computer      W: PE  
Th: Media (Buy from Book Fair Day)  
F: PE

## F.Y.I.

**Reading Log:** Let's review the rules; there are some changes.

- 1) Only read 1 book at a time at home. Finish what you start.
- 2) If you finish your book or leave it somewhere, you may read the newspaper or web articles until you get a new book.
- 3) 30 min required reading M-Th.
- 4) Parents must check your elapsed time math and initial.
- 5) Log & journal response in letter form due every Friday.
- 6) AR tests required for each book you complete.

7) If you finish a book and do not take an AR test, you will get a 0 for that book.

8) When you start a new book, you must use a new reading log.

9) If you don't have a new log, go to our website or you can record in your agenda until you can get a new log.

**Homework:** Please expect to spend 60-70 minutes a night on hw. This time includes 30 minutes for reading and an additional 30-40 minutes for studying and hw assignments.

## BONUS ?

What's the difference between a divisor and a dividend?

## Calendar



- \*9/30 Book Fair & Open House, 5-7pm
- \*10/1 SAC and PI Meetings, 5:30 & 6:30. PLEASE TRY TO ATTEND!
- \*10/2 Early Release
- \*10/11-18 Conferences