



Finch Newsletter 9-14-18

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Here are some reminders, information, and updates about our class.

- Please call the Office for attendance and transportation changes: 625-3101
- Your child should be bringing home a green folder daily. Completed work, notes, and other school communications will be in it. I encourage your child to be responsible for showing this to you and for returning any necessary paperwork and the green folder every day.
- If you haven't yet, please send in a pair of earbuds for your child to use in STEAM Lab class.
- Please send in a healthy snack with your child every day. Also, I allow children to drink just water in our classroom.
- Please have your child wear/bring tennis shoes to school every day.
- Field trip: Tuesday September 25 from 9:30-12:00 at Shiawassee Fairgrounds.
- School Pictures are coming soon: September 26th. You will get more information as the date gets closer.
- Our classroom participates in Popcorn Sales **only** on the dates marked on our calendar. Our first popcorn day will be in October. Thanks
- Box tops: We have started collecting box tops for our school. Please turn these in any time through the school year. Thanks!
- Starting next Friday I will be emailing my weekly newsletter to parents who had an email address on their emergency form. If you did not have an email address, then you will receive a hard copy.

Here is what we have been learning. Please ask your child to elaborate.

Reading: We are now selecting books for student book bins each day, to practice our reading fluency. In October, your child will start bringing home a fluency reading book each night to read at home. We have started working on all of the important parts of reading, we call it our reading CAFE (C=comprehension; A=accuracy; F=fluency; E=expanding vocabulary).

C- We focused on characters, setting, and events when reading

A- We focused on short vowel sounds (e,o,u) as well as the sight words (green, funny, little)

F- We started our independent reading time each day. We also started buddy reading this week.

E- We focused on the vocabulary words (aside, culture, fair, invited, language, plead, scurries, share)

Spelling: We will begin spelling lists and tests in October

Writing:

- Handwriting Practice
- Friendly Letter: with a focus on writing exclamations
- Adding details to sentences

Math: We started Chapter 1: Applying Addition and Subtraction concepts.

Science: One part of our science curriculum is Engineering Design. We continue to use the process of engineering (Plan, Design/Build, Evaluate-Redesign).

Guest Student Teacher: On Thursdays, we are fortunate to have a Ferris State student with us. Her name is Mrs. Temmen. She is studying to be a teacher and comes into our class to observe the amazing things kids are learning.

Homework: I will begin sending homework folders home on Wednesday September 26th.

Thank you so much for your support and sharing your child with me.
Mrs. Amy Finch

