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Spring Break starts next week. We will have NO SCHOOL, Monday, March 29 through Monday, April 5. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 6. Have a safe, restful break!!

Picture Information

All money or pictures were due today. If you did not send yours in, please do so ASAP. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Mrs. Laswell at 420-4549.

Attention First Grade Parents

Word Wall Words for the week of April 6-9 are the following:

into more other they're right

We will also be studying the word family **-ake**.

Attention Third Grade Parents

Word wall words for the week of April 6-9 are the following:

write your you're

Levy Literature Walk

There is a Levy literature drop walk scheduled for this Saturday, March 27th. Lots of walkers are needed. Interested persons should meet at the MHS Visitors Center at 9:00 AM to pick up your literature and walk list. Bring some friends!

An important election is coming up on May 4. Please register to vote. You can pick up registration forms in our main office.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mar. 29 – Apr. 5 - NO SCHOOL-Spring Break

Apr. 6 – Classes Resume

Apr. 7 – Early Release at 2:45 PM

Apr. 8 – PTO Mtg. – 4:00 PM

Apr. 12 – Celebration of Learning Assembly
Gr. K-2 at 1:30 PM

Apr. 13 – Celebration of Learning Assembly
Gr. 3-5 at 1:30 PM

DIBELS Assessment Window

The DIBELS assessment window opens upon our return from Spring Break on April 6 and runs through April 23. So during the break spend some quality time reading with your child! The fluency goals for each grade level are as follows:

Kindergarten – Segmenting words – 35 sounds per minute

Reading nonsense words – 25 sounds per minute

Grade 1 – Segmenting words – 35 sounds per minute

Reading nonsense words – 50 sounds per minute

Oral reading fluency – 40 words per minute

Grade 2 – Oral reading fluency – 90 words per minute

Grade 3 – Oral reading fluency – 110 words per minute

Grade 4 – Oral reading fluency – 118 words per minute

Grade 5 – Oral reading fluency – 124 words per minute

Preschool & Kindergarten Registration 2010

Middletown City Schools Preschool and Kindergarten Registration will take place daily at the Welcome Center beginning Tuesday, April 6th, 2010. The Welcome Center is located at 4420 Manchester Road, Door O, phone, 513-420-4561.

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Daily registration will be from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

There will also be after hours registration for preschool and kindergarten on the following dates from 4:30 to 6:30 PM.

Monday, April 2, Wednesday, April 21 and Tuesday, April 27. On April 27 there will be Spanish Translation Available.

Third Grade News

This week the third grade students have been reading Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown. Flat Stanley will be taking another journey over spring break- he'll be going home with every student! Third graders have been provided with notebooks to use as their own Flat Stanley journals over the spring break. They have been directed to keep a daily journal entry for their adventures with their own Flat Stanley. When we return from spring break, these journals are to be brought back to school so we can share and discuss. Have a safe and fun spring break with your "guest"!

Third graders have also been provided with O.A.A. practice material. Please review and practice skills over the break with your third grader so that they will be prepared for the big test coming soon!

TRAVEL LITERACY GAMES

Since Spring Break begins Monday, March 29th we wanted to share several games that can be played in the car. These games can be used in drives across town or across states. Hopefully the games add entertainment to the ride and an opportunity to add Literacy to our break.

Rhyming words

Pick a word that is easy to rhyme with other real words. Each person takes a turn. The winner is the person who is the last one to think of a rhyming word. For example, heat, seat, meat, bleat, sleet, neat, pleat.... If the children are older they can write the words down simultaneously.

Guess my song

Someone picks a song and they have to hum the first line.

Everyone in the car has one guess then the person hums an extra line if no-one gets it after the first round. This continues until someone gets the song.

Twenty questions

This starts with someone choosing an object, person, place, country etc that others have to identify. The others in the car have a chance to ask questions (maximum of 20 for each thing chosen). The questions are answered with a 'yes' or a 'no'.

When someone thinks they know it they can guess. You can score this different ways (or not all). The person whose word is not guessed can score points as can the person who guesses correctly.

Oh no!

This is a great idea for 3-4 people in a car. Someone starts a story with the words "Oh no!" followed by a simple statement. They might say, "Oh no! There's a spider in my pocket." People then take it in turns to add to the story using "but" as their first word to turn a serious circumstance into a not so serious one, and vice versa. They might add, "But it is only plastic". To which someone might say, "but it has dynamite in it". This continues until the players get sick of it or until everyone agrees that an appropriate ending has been found.

Back to back words

People think of words that begin the way the last word ends. You will need to demonstrate this a few times and it isn't that suitable for children under 6 years. It might go like this: pot, tree, egg, goat, top, pot, turtle, elf, fog, goldfish. You can make the game harder for older children if you like by asking for the words to fit specific single categories like animals, names, places.

Top 6 (or 10 if your children get to be good at it)

This activity is a variation on the previous 'Sound Word Categories'. You vary it by choosing a category and then seeing if someone can list 6-10 words that fit the category. For example, think of 10 car names, dogs, books, insects, snakes, footballers etc. The person who thinks of the most words in a category wins.





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