October 21, 2013

Dear Parents,

A few reminders:

* Current events are due no later than Thursday, October 24
* Historical Fiction Book Report due no later than Thursday, October 31
* Spelling words this week are Spell-a-thon words. If you have questions about the Spell-a-thon, check the Fruchthendler website. Spell-a-thon test is Friday/

In Math we are continuing to multiply and divide and as I have mentioned previously, students should spend time memorizing their math facts as this will help so much!!

Students will write a “scary story” and will work on proofreading their work, editing, peer editing and then writing a final draft. We’ll continue to read *The* *Tiger Rising* and *Island of the Blue Dolphins,* both wonderful stories full of figurative language, vibrant characters, and lessons on bullying, change and perseverance.

Science will keep us busy again this week as we continue to study erosion and weathering.

I have had some questions about Halloween and costumes. Students may wear costumes to school or may change at lunch before our class party. It will be “business as usual” in the morning so I ask that any costumes worn to school are not distracting. I also ask that any costumes worn to school do not include weapons or lots of gore. More information about the class party will come from the Room Parents in the near future.

On a final note, our class worked together to sell popcorn at the fall carnival to raise money for our Roots & Shoots project. I was absolutely amazed by the enthusiasm and cooperation exhibited by the students who worked their “shifts”. We have some great businessmen and businesswomen in the making.

Happy Fall!!!