



Corbitt Connection

April 19, 2010



Earth Day/School Beautification

In honor of Earth Day we will be beautifying the school on April 22 by helping to weed out and mulch around our tree.

If you have already responded and are planning to send in supplies (either: potting soil or flowers) please do so on Thursday. Thank you again to everyone that is willing to donate to our project!

If you have any small gardening shovels, plastic or otherwise that you would be willing lend us, we will take good care of them and return them to you Thursday afternoon.

***It will more than likely be very warm and your child will probably get dirty- please dress him/her accordingly.

"What Can I Do at Home?"

Enclosed in your child's report card tomorrow will be a reading update. I hope that you have a chance to look through your child's reading strengths and areas that need improvement. This week's tip is to tackle your child's reading weaknesses one strategy or skill at a time to increase his/her reading proficiency. If you need ideas of things to do at home to help with a specific area that were checked for your child please do not hesitate to e-mail, call or write me a note and I will do my best to give you a list of ideas to help ensure your child's continued reading success.

***The numbers assigned to the "Current Book Goal" is the number of books your child must read **AT HOME** in order to attend our reading celebration in June. As always, I want to thank you for your support at home!!!

Writer's Workshop Update

This week we are continuing to move through our Response to Literature, Kevin Henkes author study. Our focus will be adding in the retelling (starting at the beginning and writing as many details in order that can be remembered).

Reader's Workshop Update

This week we will continue to read more of the Kevin Henkes "mouse" books and work on our retellings. As you may know your child's ability to retell a story that he/she has read/listened to is one way that his/her comprehension is measured.

MATH INVESTIGATION UPDATE

THIS WEEK WE WILL BE REVIEWING THE THREE KINDS OF STORY PROBLEMS THAT WE HAVE LEARNED DURING THIS MATH UNIT AS WE PREPARE FOR OUR UPCOMING UNIT TEST.

IN OUR MATH SKILLS TIME WE ARE WORKING WITH MONEY, TIME, AND MIXED ADDITION FACTS.

Skills Block

This week our spelling pattern will be "oy" and we will continue working on sound substitution (like changing the first sound in bake to /l/ making the new word lake).

Important Dates to Remember

April 20	Report Cards Go Home
April 22	Earth Day Library-Don't forget your book! Awards Ceremony @ 1:30 p.m.
April 28	Early Dismissal @ 1:45 p.m.