

Leo's Family Newsletter

Thursday, October 11th 2018 Ed. #4



Announcements

- Home Folder Check: I sent home all of the following today (Thursday)
 - SES Handbook/Calendar
 - Walk/Run/Move Form
 - Scavenger Homework
- Remember there is no school Friday (tomorrow)
- Walk/run/move is on Friday, October 19th
 - We are in the morning time TBD
- **Harvest Fair is Saturday, October 20th from 4 to 7pm**
- [Here is the link](#) to the article about the 40 Books Challenge that I meant to include in our last newsletter!
- The Scholastic book offer for the month is AWESOME- any class order over \$100 will mean that every kid in the class gets to choose a free book. WOW. Look online at <https://clubs.scholastic.com/> and use our class code **TVTYG** to order books. I will submit the order on October 29th.

Questions to Connect with Your Kid

**Help your child complete their homework on government and elections scavenger*

"What is cultural appropriation and how does it relate to Halloween?"

"What reading goal did you make with Leo?" (not all done yet)

Good To Know: Field Studies!

Our first field study is **Thursday, October 18th**. We will be walking to the elections building and will receive a tour of how they operate. Please make sure your child:

- Wears walking shoes
- Brings a rain layer and/or warm layer
- Arrives on time at 8:45 am at the latest!

We will be back before lunch so whatever your kiddo's lunch routine is will stay the same.

Life Good to Know: LAST DAY TO [REGISTER TO VOTE](#) IN OREGON IS **OCTOBER 16TH**

What We're Learning

Reader's Workshop: Holy moly we received 600 new books from the district this week as part of our new curriculum adoption. Because we are a blend, we got to have both the 4th and 5th grade books! We are very excited about the new books. Students have been meeting with me in small groups to gradually start our word work rotations. I have also been conferencing with students on their reading goals for the year.

Math: After a few technological challenges, we were able to complete the district mandated MAPS math assessment, which will give a full report on your child's mathematical levels across every math standard. This will be handy because it's now used by all teachers, so I will be able to compare Spring and Fall reports, and next years teachers will also use this measure so we can track progress over time.

Writer's Workshop: This week we were very busy in writer's workshop. We completed rough drafts, revised our narratives, and finished an editing checklist (by grade level). Our next step is to publish our fictional narratives on chromebooks. We also took a pause from our narratives to compose letters to local Halloween stores explaining what cultural appropriation is and what impact it has on non-dominant cultures.

Social Studies/Science: Over the course of the week, we chunked various pieces of the whys of the American Revolution together. Students had one important moment/event that they focused on and created a visual symbol to represent it. We then lined up in chronological order and shared a summary of this moment with the class. We contrasted this perspective by starting to consider

This Month's Big 8 Identity Topic:

Ability

(physical and cognitive)

Handy Resources



Classroom Website:

leoslearners.weebly.com/

Freckle

(Math & ELA)

*Great for math homework!

www.freckle.com

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