

OCTOBER NEWS

Announcements

We will be having a **Fall Festival Oct. 23rd**.
Please look for more information from teachers coming soon!

Events

October 7-PTA Meeting at 6:30

October 9-PTA Sponsored Culture Night
6:00-7:30 PM

October 14- Principal and Parent
Workshop 8:30-9:30 a.m.

October 16-Professional Development Day
for Teachers: No School for Students

October 23- Fall Festival

October 26-30: Scholastic Book-Fair Week

Reminders

- ☐ Remind your child to wear a jacket to school as the weather gets cooler.
- ☐ Please make sure your child's teacher is aware of any food restrictions as we study our senses, including taste!

October 30- End of 1st Quarter

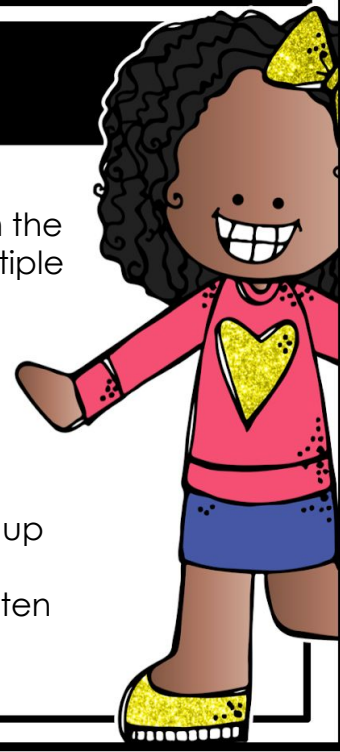
Learning Focus

Math:

We will finish Unit 1 & begin Unit 2 this month! Students build curiosity from the beginning of the unit by engaging in a mathematical task that elicits multiple strategies and allows them to apply their own knowledge.

Students will learn about:

- numbers 1-10;
- counting & comparing objects and images;
- connecting quantities of spoken number words up to 10;
- determining, representing and comparing the quantities of groups up to 10 images; and
- the relationship between number and quantity, and compare written numerals from 1-10.



Learning Focus Continued

Language Arts: We will end unit 2, and move on to unit 3 for our **CKLA Skills:** Students are introduced to eight sounds and practice blending these sounds to form words. They also learn how to write the letters that make these sounds. High-frequency Tricky Words are introduced in this unit. These are words that do not follow the pattern of letter-sound correspondences students have learned so far.

CKLA:Knowledge/Domain 2 In this domain, students explore how they learn about the world using their five senses: sight, hearing, smell, taste, and touch. Lessons also address ways that sight and hearing may function differently, and they feature inspirational stories about individuals who overcame significant challenges posed by these differences. Lesson will include Ray Charles & Helen Keller references.

Science:

Modeling and Investigations and Explanation and Argumentation

For the next few weeks in science, students explore how spider webs and Venus fly traps catch insects (anchor phenomena). They also explore and sketch different patterns of motion. Students will conduct an investigation of how different pushes and pulls (forces) can make an object move faster or slower. They will also apply their understanding of force and motion to design a device to change the motion of a rolling ball.

Health:

At the end of the month students will learn about safe uses of medicines and how avoidance of drugs are essential to healthy choices. Students will answer the questions, What are common medicines? What are procedures to safely use medicines? They will also learn the differences between candy and medicines in order to stay safe.

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