

September

Mrs. Flowers' Class Newsletter

Calendar of Events

September 4th - Labor Day - No School

September 5th- Buffalo P.R.I.D.E. meeting 6-7 pm in VCMS gym

September 12th- Quarter mid-point

September 18th- Constitution Day

September 25th-September 29th- Celebrate Freedom Week

Great Beginnings!

As you know, we are off and running! What a great start this has been to a new year. I am so impressed with my class, and how well they have adapted to fourth grade so far! This is going to be a wonderful year full of growth for our children. I'm so grateful to be a part of your child's life—they make me smile! 📧

Website

To keep up to date on homework assignments, spelling words, tests, and special events, please visit our school website, www.tvcs.org, click on the button for Elementary, then on Teacher Connection. You'll see my name listed, and with one quick click, you'll stay informed.

Parent Involvement

Occasionally, I have small chores that can be completed at home that would

count for parent involvement hours. Another way to earn parent involvement hours is to send in things as needed. Please be sure to include a receipt so that when you have accumulated \$50, credit will be posted to you for the Parent Involvement time earned. Thank you so much for your support of our class!

Reminders

Thank you to all of you who are checking your child's homework nightly and making corrections, initialing their homework and their planner. Please help your child get into the routine of checking their planner nightly to be sure they have completed all of their homework. Many of our children seem to think if they don't have a worksheet for a particular subject, they don't have any homework in that subject for the night. They are forgetting to look at the planner, which shows that they may have spelling homework, reading homework, or study homework that did not require a worksheet. It is a good idea to check your child's planner when signing it, just to be sure you have seen all the required work. Just as a reminder, late and missing work will have a negative effect on your child's grade. A maximum of 60% will be awarded for work turned in one day late, and a zero will be entered in

the grade book thereafter. Homework is designed to practice skills learned in class, so it is very important that it be done on time. Please note, absent assignments do not fall under this category. The "Absent Homework Policy" still stands. The Handbook Attendance Policy states that in order to receive credit for missed work due to an absence, a student must turn in assignments upon returning to school within the number of days missed plus one day. Thank you for all of your support.

Every Monday, their graded work comes home. Please return it within two school days. Please take a moment to read my comments from the week, and go over the contents of the folder with your child. This is a wonderful opportunity to praise your child for their accomplishments. Thanks again.



Founder's Day Festival

Time is rapidly approaching for our Founder's Day Festival! It is that time of year when fall is in the air (hopefully!), and it is time to have some good old fashioned fun! The Founder's Day Festival will be held on the football field behind our high school on Friday, October 6th from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. There will be all kinds of fun and games for kids of all ages!

Our class is teaming up with Mr. Mutz's class to present a really cool booth. More details to come soon! We look forward to having a great booth this year. Please let me know if you are available to volunteer at our booth. I would like to have two parents working the booth at all times. We need some creative parents to volunteer to decorate our booth. This is one of our biggest, and most fun fundraisers of the year, so let's all pitch in and do whatever it takes to make this the most fun and memorable Founder's Day Festival ever!



We have been working very hard in math to reinforce skills learned in 3rd grade, and extending those skills. We have been working on writing numbers into the hundred millions three different ways: standard form (using digits), expanded form (expanding the place values using zeros), and word form (using words to describe the number). Currently, we are studying multiplying by 1-digit numbers and it seems as though our students are a bit rusty on their multiplication facts. Please have your child practice counting by 3's, 6's, 7's, 8's, and 9's, and also practice those multiplication facts daily. By helping your child with their multiplication facts it will help them feel much more confident, and will make division much easier for them!

Science/Social Studies

*We have been studying how to be a scientist and will be working on Earth's place in space this month.

*We will soon start our exploration of Florida history learning about Florida's Geography. We will be taking a field trip to St. Augustine this fall. It is a fantastic trip, and the students will be amazed by how much they learn. ☺

Accelerated Reader

Please make sure your child is reading for 20 minutes each night. This will help them attain their A.R. goal.