

November 1, 2011,

Dear Parents,

A new month begins, and with it another round of snow storms! I guess we can't expect summer to last forever. Remind your child to bring appropriate outerwear for the conditions.

Spelling/Vocabulary: Business as usual. We will also be doing another orthography test this week.

Writing: Our focus during the week will switch back to expository compositions as we work on creating five paragraph essays. We will also critique writing samples and look at strategies to improve those samples.

Reading: The second round of Acuity test begin this week. We will begin the week with the language arts test. The remainder of the week will be spent on our next novel, Don Quixote. This is a comical tale by Miguel de Cervantes about a man who has foolish notions of becoming a knight and winning the fair maiden.

Math: On Wednesday, both groups will take the math portion of the Acuity test. The next test will be on Friday, November 11th.

Science: Classification continues to be our focus as we delve deeper into the levels of classification and the five kingdoms.

Social Studies: We have completed the reading and discussion of the world lakes and will be doing a quick review each before breaking into groups for the culminating project.

Snow trees: Your child should have brought home a copy of our class snow tree. If you didn't get a copy, please let me know and I will send another one by email.

Your feedback:

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child, please contact me at school or by e-mail (lisarupple@re3j.com).

Sincerely,

Lisa Ruppel

Reminders:

- Breakfast burritos are available every Wednesday for \$3.00.
- Bookmobile on Thursday.
- Pizza hot lunch on Friday.
- Thanksgiving Break November 22nd - 25th.