

Tiger News



Upcoming Events

- February 6th: Group pictures and spring portraits
- February 8th: End of 4½ week grading period
- 14th: Happy Valentine's Day!!! Interim reports go home
- February 18th: In-service day (NO SCHOOL)



Reminder of Winter Weather

As we begin the winter season and in the event of winter weather which can bring on possible school closings or delays, please listen to the radio or television stations to get the most recent information. If we are at school and the weather takes a turn for the worse, please do not call the school to see if schools will be closing. We need to keep the phone lines open in the event we need to get information from Central Office. A form was sent home several weeks ago asking for updated information in the event schools close early. If you have not turned in that form, please do so in the next few days. It is imperative that we have the most current information at all times. Please know that we are conscientiously doing our best to





Reading Corner

Ten Ways A Parent Can Help With Reading

1. Let your child see you reading!
2. Help your child find appropriate words and reading games on the computer. Have magazines and books in your home.
3. Read mysteries with your child and try to figure out the clues together.
4. Movie version coming out? Read the book together first then talk about which you each liked better.
5. Set aside a time and place for your child to read-like a comfy chair and a reading light in a quiet place.
6. Visit your public library regularly. Look for and read together books that were your favorites when you were a kid.
7. Encourage your child to write letters, thank you notes, emails, journals, lists, stories about their own trips, events and daily life.
8. Ask your child questions about what he or she reading: What is the story about? Who are the important characters? Where does the story take place? Why do you think the characters made that choice? Why did that happen? How did you know about.....? Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?
9. Ask your child to draw a comic strip about what happens in the story. Provide word searches, crossword and other word games and puzzles, or help your child make his/her own.
10. Share with your child about what you're reading and encourage your child to do the same.

Math Corner



Ways Parents Can Help With Math At Home

1. Show how math is more than learning addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Math also teaches us to analyze, reason and plan. These are useful skills that transfer over to reading and writing as well.
2. Model analytical and mathematical thinking. Be a problem solver, pose questions and find solutions. Talk about likenesses and differences and explain your reasoning.
3. Encourage your child to explain his or her problem-solving process so you can understand their reasoning.
4. When driving to school or the store, talk about how numbers help us to determine how fast we drive, the distance traveled, the mileage the car gets per gallon and how long it will take us to get home.
5. Expose your child to money and teach him/her the value of each coin.
6. Have your child use an analog and a digital watch or clock to learn both methods of telling time.
7. Incorporate games involving numbers and math into playtime—from flash cards to learning basic math facts to board games involving money, time and logic.
8. Post a chart of math facts in your child's room. Some activities and games can help children memorize math concepts.
9. Educational video games and learning software can also reinforce math skills.
10. Explore math in everyday life. When children realize math is all around them, they begin to relax and see its meaning in their lives.