



THE KANE CHRONICLE

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Classroom News

Our Head Room Parents are Rebecca McDermott and Kelly Haigh. They will be reaching out to everyone during the school year to help out in various ways. If you have the opportunity to give them a hand, I'm sure they'll will appreciate it. ☺



Curriculum News

In Math, we are learning about decimals and place value. We have investigated these concepts with manipulatives, and we continue to explore flexible thinking strategies.

In our Literacy Block we are using a Readers Workshop model along with resources from our program called *Reading Street*. Stories from this text give us a focus and foundation with various reading skills and story elements. We are also currently reading aloud *Frindle* by Andrew Clements.

In writing we have launched our narrative unit and continue to work on showing our story, rather than telling it. We have also started to focus on how to answer comprehension questions, and formulate open response answers throughout all content areas.

In Science, we are studying rocks and minerals. To help us we are using a software program called "Science Seekers." It empowers and encourages the students to engage in active learning. In cooperative groups, the class must determine the best site to send paleontologists to look for fossils.

In Social Studies we are in the midst of reviewing and learning new map skills, and understanding how to use various resources to complete Daily Geography assignments. Then we will learn about the Mayas, Incas, and Aztecs.



Snack

Please remember that our classroom is an allergy aware and nut safe environment.



Lunch & Recess 11:55–12:35 P.M.



Picture Day: Friday, September 30th

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