



The “Mc-Kane” Chronicle

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Classroom News

Parent / Teacher Conferences are fast approaching. Half dates are scheduled for conferences on November 20 and 21. We will try to be flexible and accommodate everyone’s busy schedules. We will send out times and dates via *Sign-Up Genius*.

Halloween will be celebrated in the afternoon on October 31. Each family is asked to prepare a *Trick or Treat* in a bag for their student. Look for more details to come.

Morning Meetings continue with a weekly message that complements our Core Values. Students have opportunities to interact with each other and develop their social/emotional skills.



Curriculum News

In Math, we continue to study decimals. We are practicing multiple ways to rename them, find equivalents, make comparisons, and discovering patterns with relationship to place value (10x greater, 10x less, 1/10 of, ÷ 10, and 100x greater). Now, we are also learning how to round decimals using a vertical number line.

In Language Arts, we have started to practice answering open response questions in response to reading a selection. This has included identifying the best evidence to support our answers and then explaining the

evidence. Students also continue to work with their narrative writing, as they try to apply what they’re learning from focus lessons, such as telling the story from the inside out.



In Science, we continue to learn about the Sun, Moon, & Earth. A study guide was just handed out and an assessment will be administered on Monday, October 16th. Students will be taught how to make flash cards and be given some time in class to prepare, but they will need to work at home too. Next, we will be learning about gravity and how this force relates to the Sun, Moon, and Earth.



In Social Studies, we have finished our Map Skills unit although we will be doing some reviewing from time to time. Next week, we will kick off our Maya Unit. Keep an eye out for some ancient fun!



Principals’ Coffee

Wednesday, October 18th at 8:30 A.M.
in the Vogel Auditorium
Topic: Standards Based Report Card