

Open House 2007-2008 Ms. Slater's Class

WEEKLY WORK – Assigned Friday/due Thursday

Also available on my web site each week

☻ Spelling - Each Friday your child will receive a new spelling contract. Your child will choose three of the listed activities to complete either during "down time" (when they have completed class work) or at home and returned the following Thursday morning. I will also take periodic spelling grades from class work. I will inform your child in advance. Spelling tests on Friday will be worth the remaining portion of their grade.

☻ Mountain Math - Each Friday your child will receive a photocopy of the following week's problems. These will be expected to be completed during "down time" or at home with the help of their math book, the Internet, and Ms. Slater as resources.

☻ Reading log - Each week your child will be required to read at least 30 minutes a day for an A+, 30 minutes for 6 days for an A, 30 minutes 4 to 5 days for a B, and so on. The requirements are on the reading logs. I understand that life "happens" and we are busy, so doubling up and skipping a day or reading on the weekend is fine. The log is due on Thursday and needs a parent signature for each day read.

☻ Daily Oral Geography – Each Friday I will give a new "DOG" on Friday.

QUARTERLY -

☻ Book Reports - Each quarter your child will be required to complete a book report at home, and present it orally to the class. Part of fifth grade curriculum is to give planned presentations. This first quarter we have chosen a Newberry Award winner or Honor book, and the format is called A Book in A... We have already reviewed the expectations for this project and your child has the grading rubric. This is 25% of their

reading grade. These will be assigned at the beginning of each quarter and will be due at the end.

🌀 Accelerated Reader - Your child has taken a placement test using our Star Reader Program, which in turn gave them an independent reading "zone" in they read at an instructional level (not too hard and not too easy). Your child will choose books from the library (they should always have at least one AR book checked out) that is within their zone. Once they have finished the book they will take a test on the computer. Each book will be worth points based on the reading level. Your child has a goal for each quarter. This is 20% of their reading grade.

🌀 Other Homework - Anything that your child does not finish in class each day will be expected to be completed as homework and turned in the following morning. Generally I give plenty of class time to complete assignments, as I do not believe in giving a lot of homework. During the course of the year we will have a few major projects that may also need to be worked on as homework. Some of these include:

- Colonial Projects (1st quarter)
- Biography Reports (2nd quarter)
- Revolutionary/Civil War Projects (3rd and 4th quarter)
- Animal Report (3rd quarter)
- Author/Novel Studies

SIGNATURES –

- 🌀 Daily - It is your child's responsibility to have their daily planner and reading log signed by a parent/guardian and turned in each morning. I check these daily!
- 🌀 Weekly - "The Communicator" folder will come home on Friday with all of the graded/completed work for the week. You will need to sign and return the folder with a signed copy of their "Progress Report/Missing Work."


LATE WORK – If work is not turned in by the due date it will be considered late and is due the following school day. The highest score possible is a C. It will be considered a zero after that. If your child is absent he/she will have an additional for each day absent to complete the work. It is your child's responsibility to find out what he/she missed. On Friday I will do a current missing work report and post it to my web site (I will also print one out to send home) This work is expected to be turned in on Monday for a "C." After that I will not accept it for a grade.

- ❖ Please note that your child is able to work on any of these things in class once they have finished with classwork.
- ❖ Please sign the attached paper stating that you have read and understand this information.



PULL-OUT SCHEDULE

ART/HEALTH	=	TUESDAY 2:30-3:30
MUSIC	=	WEDNESDAY 10:55-11:25
		THURSDAY 12:00-12:30
PE	=	WEDNESDAY 12:00-12:30
		FRIDAY 11:30 -12:00
LIBRARY	=	FRIDAY 11:00-11:30



MATH	MOUNTAIN MATH	30%
	MNT. MATH QUIZ	10%
	CLASS WORK	40%
	TEST/QUIZ	20%
READING	CLASS WORK	45%
	READING LOG	10%
	ACCELERATED	
	READER	20%
	BOOK REPORT	25%
WRITING	MOUNTAIN	
	LANGUAGE	30%
	CLASS WORK	40%
	JOURNAL WRITING	10%
	TEST/QUIZ	20%
SPELLING	CONTRACTS	30%
	TESTS	40%
	CLASS WORK	30%
SCIENCE	CLASS WORK	50%
	GROUP WORK	40%
	TEST/QUIZ	10%
SOCIAL STUDIES	DOG	20%
	CLASS WORK	40%
	MAP WORK	25%
	TEST/QUIZ	15%

Thank you,
Ms. Slater

Child's name: _____

Parent's name: _____

Date: _____

_____ I have read the homework expectation sheet and do not have any questions at this time.

_____ I have read the homework expectation sheet and do have questions.