



PHONICS/READING

In phonics we are working on -ed, -ing, kn, gh and silent b. We will work on these sounds in our phonics readers, "Eight Daughters!" and "The Family Garden". The story in our anthology is "Thunder Cake". We are working on the strategy of monitor/clarify, sequence of events, and taking notes. Vocabulary words are

bolt: a flash or stroke

horizon: the line where the sky and the earth seem to meet

lightning: a flash of light in the sky

rumbled: made a deep, rolling sound

thunder: the rumbling sound that follows lightning

weather: what it is like outside

Please have your child read at least 75 minutes a week. Children are to return their reading logs and folders for checking the first day of each week.

Please continue to work on the Dolch words. The Dolch words are high frequency words that children need to learn to help them read fluently.

SPELLING

Lesson 27 : Thunder Cake"

Wednesday's Test

batted chopped clapped

fanning getting hopped hugging

pinned running shopping sitting

skipping stepped stopped

tapped *jogging *flipped

**Monday *Tuesday **showed

Thursday's test

1. Will we roast chopped hotdogs on the grill?

2. I am sitting, skipping, jogging, and shopping at the mall.

3. The bunny hopped away after it flipped the man hugging the stopped truck.

4. I batted a ball while my sister ran a running race and my mom tapped her foot.

5. While I was getting my hair pinned, my sister stepped into the store fanning herself.

MATH

In math we will weigh objects and complete a unit assessment. We will have a money test on Monday, a renaming test in addition and an addition facts test on Tuesday, a clock test on Wednesday, and a renaming test in subtraction and a subtraction facts test on Thursday. Please practice these skills.

PRINTING/ENGLISH

In printing we are working on proper formation, spacing, and neatness. In English we are working on writing informative paragraphs, is/are, was/were, choosing the right verb, and writing an acrostic poem. Children are required to use proper punctuation in all of their work.

SOCIAL STUDIES/SCIENCE

In social studies we are discussing working together to solve problems in our homes, groups, and communities. We are also working on self-control and following procedures.

In science we are discussing simple machines. We will be comparing how surfaces can change the force on an object, understanding friction, and



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recognizing how a force and the direction of a force can change, Vocabulary words are force, gravity, friction, simple machines, lever, fulcrum, and ramp

CLASSROOM PROJECTS

We are discussing different types of Easter eggs. We are also working on several art projects.

COMPUTER PROJECTS

Your child may wish to visit our collection of numerous kid-friendly educational web sites that we use during computer time on Fridays. The url is <http://www.portaportal.com> You may login under guest as class7 to view the various websites.

SPECIAL DATES AND EVENTS

- Monday - Gym
- Tuesday - Music
- Wednesday- Intervention Gym
- Thursday - Library
- Thursday - Report Cards
- Spring Break – March 25-April 1

FROM THE TEACHER'S DESK

Since this week is only four days and many families are busy with special holiday events, we will not have a Hometask assignment this week. Please remember to have your child read for their reading log this week and the week of Spring Break.

Please remember to look at the papers your child brings home in his/her task/work-folder. Praise your child for good marks and help him/her improve any weak areas. Please keep the graded papers, sign the weekly report sheet in the clear pocket, and return the folder and sheet in the clear pocket to school as soon as possible. Papers

marked with an I or Inc. should be corrected and returned.

Please remember to send your child's lunch/lunch money in an envelope with his/her name on it and Mrs. Gray. This helps the children move through the line quicker and gives them a little longer to eat.

If you have any ideas, concerns, questions, etc. please write me a note, call (school - 466-4831, ext. 6001), or e-mail roberta.gray@neomin.org.

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Wishing You and Your Family a Wonderful Easter Break!

