



Announcements/Reminders

- **Book Fair:** Pacific's Book Fair is next week! Please take a moment to stop by the Café and check out the amazing selection of books! I've placed a few recommendations for our class as well. Our next Reader's Workshop unit will cover nonfiction texts and students will be required to read nonfiction books independently. This might be a great opportunity to stock up on nonfiction reading material. Our class will be visiting the Book Fair on Monday from 9-9:25.
- **Math Reports:** Current Xtra Math reports went home today. As a class, we reflected on our progress to the goal of completing one round of operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and addition) by the new year. Students still working through addition or subtraction need to spend more time on Xtra Math in order to meet the goal. Therefore, I would like them to complete one session in class each day and continue to complete one session for homework each night.

Curriculum Focus

Reading

- We have begun our core literature study of *The Island of the Blue Dolphins*. Students will work to develop literature responses. They will also have short comprehension quizzes after certain sections of the book.

Writing

- We've been focusing on writing summaries and literature responses. Next week, we will launch our new unit on opinion writing.

Mathematics

- In Module 3, students are building connections between division using PVCs, arrays, standard algorithm, and area models.

Science

- We are taking a break from science this week to devote more time to Social Studies.

Social Studies

- We have begun our unit on Ancient Peoples, learning how people of the past used the land.

Mark Your Calendar

- **November 6th-20th** Richstone Food Drive
- **November 25th-29th:** Fall Break
- **December 9th,10th,12th,13th:** Minimum Days for Reading Assessments (12:40 dismissal)
- **December 11th:** Early Dismissal (1:30) as usual
- **December 20th:** Winter Sing
- **December 23rd-January 3rd:** Winter Break

Spelling: Sort 13 Syllable Juncture

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| 1. winter | 14. pattern |
| 2. matter | 15. member |
| 3. female | 16. bottom |
| 4. follow | 17. chapter |
| 5. problem | 18. moment |
| 6. water | 19. pillow |
| 7. final | 20. blanket |
| 8. number | |
| 9. butter | |
| 10. finger | |
| 11. fever | |
| 12. yellow | |
| 13. sister | |

Wordly Wise: Lesson 7

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| 1. altar | 11. scurry |
| 2. confuse | 12. seize |
| 3. distribute | 13. shallow |
| 4. eject | 14. surround |
| 5. embrace | 15. victim |
| 6. equip | |
| 7. flexible | |
| 8. instant | |
| 9. keen | |
| 10. limp | |

November Birthdays

- **November 12th - Philip S.**
- **November 14th - Jackson J.**
- **November 18th - Hudson R.**

Upcoming Tests/Assignments

- **November 15th** - Wordly Wise, Lesson 6 Test
- **November 18th** - Island of the Blue Dolphins mid-test (chapters 1-12)
- **November 21st** - Social Studies "The First Californians" Test (We will be spending class time Mon-Wed to demonstrate how to study by making flashcards, taking notes, and quizzing each other)
- **November 22nd** - Spelling Sort 13 Test

