



## Announcements/Reminders

**YAA:** We had a wonderful lesson this week on Sumi-e ink wash painting. The students were open to learning new brush stroke techniques and identifying the essence of the object they painted with limited brush strokes. We even had a brief meditation before the lesson! Thank you to all our parent volunteers for reminding us of the power of zen!

**Homework:** A reminder that homework is not optional. Many students are not turning in homework assignments on time. This means they are not receiving timely feedback on their work. Please check in with your child to make sure they are completing the nightly homework – including Xtra Math to strengthen their memorization of math facts – a skill that is necessary for the level of math we are doing.

**Math Test:** The Module 2 assessment went home with students yesterday. Please take a moment to review the test with your child. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out. Thanks!

## 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 are well into the third bend of our first unit. The third bend entails revising and editing our pieces in order to publish. We're in the home stretch!

### Mathematics

In Module 3, students are building connections between multiplying using PVCs, partial products, and standard algorithm.

### Science

Students will continue to study how land changes over time.

### Social Studies

We will begin our unit on Ancient Peoples next week and learn how people of the past used the land.

## Mark Your Calendar

**Sunday, October 27th:** Sketchers Friendship Walk

**Tuesday, October 29th:** Vision/Hearing tests for all 1st, 3rd, and 4th graders

**Thursday, October 31st:** Halloween Parade @8:30 am on the Upper Field

**Wednesday, November 6th:** Richstone Food Drive begins

**Monday, November 11th:** No School

**November 25th-29th:** Fall Break

## Spelling: Sort 10 Adding -ed

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|-------------|-------------|
| 1. planned  | 14. hunted  |
| 2. mixed    | 15. shouted |
| 3. saved    | 16. passed  |
| 4. waited   | 17. dropped |
| 5. wanted   | 18. lived   |
| 6. seemed   | 19. called  |
| 7. grabbed  | 20. named   |
| 8. helped   |             |
| 9. closed   |             |
| 10. nodded  |             |
| 11. started |             |
| 12. liked   |             |
| 13. stepped |             |

## Wordly Wise: Lesson 5

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| 1. abrupt    | 11. quaint    |
| 2. achieve   | 12. recall    |
| 3. attempt   | 13. reject    |
| 4. contempt  | 14. revise    |
| 5. entertain | 15. sensitive |
| 6. glimpse   |               |
| 7. mock      |               |
| 8. persist   |               |
| 9. persuade  |               |
| 10. phase    |               |

## October Birthdays

October 20th - Ella M.  
October 23rd - Brendan M.  
October 26th - Jo L.

## Upcoming Tests/Assignments

October 25th - Salt Dough Maps (in class project)

October 25th - CA Regions Test

November 1st - Wordly Wise, Lesson 5 Test

November 4th - Math Mid-Module 3 Test

November 8th - Grammar Lessons 8-11 (Nouns) Test

