

The Ray News

September 26, 2011

Autumn: the year's last, loveliest smile.



Important News

- ❖ **THANK YOU....**We would like to thank everyone who donated an ingredient for our "Three Sisters Soup." Also thank you to those of you who donated your time to make this delicious soup and serve it!!!
- ❖ **Grandparents Garden Tour...** On Thursday **September 29, 2011** grandparents or a special family friend are invited to join their Chatfield grandchild on a tour around the gardens and enjoy refreshments. The evening will begin at 6:00 and end at 7:30.
- ❖ **CALENDARS...** We have attached October's reading calendar to this week's Ray News. **Students need to return September's Calendar by next Friday, October 7.** Also their Lunar Calendar needs to be turned in once it is completely filled out.
- ❖ **REDO ASSIGNMENTS...**Students may redo any assignment with a grade below 70%. We will put redo assignments in their Friday Folder and they must return it by the following Monday to receive a better grade. This excludes math assignments. In math students who receive a grade below 70% are given their assignment back on the day it is checked and they have until the next day to turn it in.
- ❖ **CLASSROOM ECONOMY...** Every student in the Ray Community has a classroom job to complete at the end of the day. They have been working very hard in keeping our classes clean and organized. Managers keep track of how much each student is paid for the day. We like to open the store for shopping each marking period and around holidays. We hope to have the store open by Halloween but we need your help. If you have anything you can donate to the store we would greatly appreciate it. Thank you for your support!!!
- ❖ **BOOK ORDER REMINDER...** Book orders are due by Friday, September 30. You may also do your own order online. To do this you must create an account and use our class activation code, GTBZ7. When you order online our class gets a \$3 coupon to use to buy books for our class libraries ☺
- ❖ **TIGERS PRIDE DAY...**On Wednesday, September 28 we will celebrate school wide the Detroit Tigers making the playoffs. Students may wear Tigers shirts and hats, or just blue and orange. GO TIGERS!!!

What's Happening?

This week students will continue to meet in their math groups. Please check their planner each night to see what new concepts they are learning in math.

Students will continue to meet in their Literacy groups this week. Each Monday your child will receive a Literacy Menu that contains all of the assignments they need to complete for the week. Students are given enough time to complete most of their assignments in class. Students are responsible for taking their spelling words out of their practice book each week. Students may log on to www.spellingcity.com to practice their spelling words. In order to find our list they will need to click on "find a list" and then search by teacher. The list will be under Karly LaForge. **There will be a spelling test this Thursday over the Earthquake Terror list located on page 265 in their practice book.**

In science, we will continue to learn about the Solar System. Students should continue to track the phases of the moon throughout the month. This week students will read about life on other planets. They will also be introduced to our Solar System blog project on Friday.

In Social Studies, we will continue to focus on economic terminology. This week students will compare the salsa they made with Peter to other brands of salsa and review the factors of production.

In Writer's Workshop, we will continue to work on our Native American Myths. This week students will focus on using descriptive language in their myths. They will use their five senses to describe apple cider, this will help them use more descriptive words in their writing.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
We would like to thank all of the families that have donated items to our classroom economy! We appreciate your support! ☺

Important Dates

September 27	Flag Football Chatfield @ Schickler 4:30
September 29	The Grand Tour & Grand Pie for Grandparents 6-7:30
September 29	Flag Football Maple Grove @ Chatfield 4:30
October 6	Michigan Harvest Lunch
October 6	Flag Football Chatfield @ Mayfield 4:30
October 7	Concert Series: Steve Farley Piano 12:40 and 1:30 Gyr
October 11-19	Meap Testing
October 11	Flag Football Seaton @ Chatfield
October 13	Flag Football Playoffs
October 15	Flag Football Jamboree @ West High School
October 17	P.I.E Meeting 6:30pm



CLASSROOM ECONOMY

The Ray Community operates a classroom economy throughout the year in which students create a monetary unit, design currency and earn money for classroom jobs while learning about personal finance. We also have a "Ray Community Store" where students can use their money to purchase items. We are looking for families that might be able to donate small items that students could purchase at the school store. We would appreciate any of the following items to start our school store...

MECHANICAL PENCILS, COOL PENS, NON-PERISHABLE INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED SNACK ITEMS, CANS OF POP, LOCKER DECORATIONS, BOOK COVERS, POSTERS, OR ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU THINK 5th GRADE STUDENTS MIGHT ENJOY.

*** THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!! ***



HOW CAN I CONTACT AN UPPER EL TEACHER???



Upper El Teachers can be reached by phone before school from 8:00-8:30 a.m. or after school from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Feel free to e-mail questions or concerns at anytime.

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