

Week of 4/8

Words of the Week afraid, business, population, improve, wear

Important Dates:

4/8-4/12 IAR Testing

4/9 Math night

4/10 Early Release

4/12 Bubble Wonders assembly

Reading

This week we will continue reading and analyzing elements of poetry. April is national poetry month! We will also be comparing poetry with prose.

Writing

Students have started writing their personal persuasive essays. They will be writing an essay about a person or an event. Ask your student why it is so important to know how to form a good essay. Also, ask them what a thesis statement is!

Sci/SS

This week we will be finishing up our pioneer simulation before moving onto our next social studies chapter about early Illinois.

MATH

This week students will continue working with division and area/perimeter problems. They have been doing a wonderful jobs working with ratio tables and area models to represent and answer these problems. We also have revisited the doubling and halving strategy. This week they will engage in a perimeter investigation in which each pair of students is given a length of string to form into a variety of rectangles. Students know the entire length of the string (perimeter) and one dimension of each rectangle they need to make. This will lead students to some interesting discoveries and connections. Throughout the week we will continue to strengthen these skills.