

# Weekly Newsletter: September 3-7, 2018



Welcome to September ☺ We officially ended our first month of fourth grade and are really into the swing of things. Thank you for making this first month a wonderful transition back to school- it is going to be an awesome year!

## This Week We Are Learning

**ELA: Connecting Texts to Visuals:** We will continue working on vocabulary strategies and using visuals, but will study both in informational texts. Students completed their first graded cold read on 8/31. The second cold read will be on Friday, September 14th. In writing, students selected their writing topics for their personal narratives. We will begin drafting this week.

**Math: Double Digit Multiplication Strategies:** For the next few weeks, students will be working on multiplication strategies. Students will learn to use several different strategies to solve double digit multiplication problems. This unit will also cover area and perimeter. Anticipate the unit test around September 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Science: Matter:** Our second science topic is Properties of Matter. Students will spend three weeks investigating properties and states of matter. We will complete two different formative assessments during this time as well as one lab and a final unit test (we are planning on September 21<sup>st</sup>).

**Social Studies: Florida's Physical and Cultural Geography:** We are two weeks into our first unit on maps. Students will identify key features of Florida's geography including weather and climate.

## Upcoming Important Dates

**September 3:** Labor Day  
(NO SCHOOL)

**September 5:** Spelling Groups Start (*first test 9/12, every Wednesday moving forward*)

**September 6:** First Pen Pal Letters will begin (final letters due 9/14)

**September 7:** Vocab Quiz #2

**September 14:** Cold Read #2

**September 21:** Matter Unit Science Test

**September 25:** Anticipated Unit 2 Math Test Date

## Weekly Homework

- Reading Log (4 nights)
- Math Workbook pages
- Social Studies Vocabulary Practice (p.12 handout)
- Study for Friday's Vocab Quiz ☺ (quizlet sent via class dojo)



Please remember only volunteers who have been cleared through the Keep-N-Track system are allowed on campus must check in at the front office. More information on becoming a cleared volunteer can be found on the VRA website under the Quick Links Tab for [School Access/Volunteer Clearance](#).

Should you need to make a dismissal change on how your child will be going home, please make sure to complete the Dismissal Change Form located on the VRA website: <http://www-vra.stjohns.k12.fl.us/>, prior to 2:15 pm on the day of the change