## Neptune News

December $12^{\text {th }}, 2016$

## Dear Parents,

## Reading

We will do Reading Street Unit 2 Week 3. Our spelling and reading tests will be Thursday. The Unit 2 focus is what is a community. The question of the week is who works to make our community a nice place? Our story this week is "Who Works Here?". We will learn to read, segment and blend words with long i: i_e and digraphs wh, ch, tch, and ph. (bike, wipe, what, chase, catch, graph). We will learn to identify author's purpose for writing. We will work on reading sentences with appropriate phrasing. We will learn to identify and write special titles in sentences (Mr. Mrs. Dr. etc).

## Math

We will Finish Chapter 5: Addition and Subtraction Relationships. We will use the relationship of addition and subtraction to help learn and understand facts within 20. We will tell why making a model can us help solve a problem. We will tell how related facts can help us find missing numbers. We will tell if addition and subtraction facts are related. We will use addition to check subtraction. We will use a related fact to find an unknown number. We will choose when to add and when to subtract to solve a problem. We will add and subtract in different ways to make the same number. We will decide if a number sentence is true or false. We will tell how addition and subtraction strategies help us find sums and differences. The Chapter 5 test should be Tuesday, December $13^{\text {th }}$.

## Christmas/Winter Holiday Party

Thanks to all that have signed up to help with our party. There are a couple slots left. Our party will be Thursday, December $15^{\text {th }}$, at $1: 45$. As part of the party we will do a stocking gift exchange. I'm asking each Neptune bring a stocking clearly labeled with their name. Decorate it or not as you see fit. I would like stockings to come in by Friday, December $9^{\text {th }}$. On Monday, December $12^{\text {th }}$ trinket gifts can come in to be passed out to all stockings. Tiny toys, holiday candies, pencils, erasers, etc. are the sort of gifts we are looking for. Then during our party the Neptunes will get to open their stockings. There are 23 students in class. Please send enough trinket type gifts for 23 students.

## Comfy Day

Discovery will have a school wide comfy day this Friday the $16^{\text {th }}$. All students are invited to wear school appropriate pajamas and Neptunes can bring a toy. We will have a relaxed afternoon with a movie before going home for winter break.

## Sincerely,

Sean B. Ferguson

## Star Neptune

The Star Neptune this week is O'Malley. The new Star Neptune will be Payton. She will present this Friday.

## ARC Class Schedule

| Monday | Disc. FFL (gym shoes) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tuesday | Music |
| Wednesday | Spanish |
| Thursday | Expl. FFL (gym shoes) |
| Friday | Visual Arts |
| Next Monday 1/2 | No School |
| Next Tuesday 1/3 | Disc. FFL (gym shoes) |

This is a rotating schedule. When we have a short week due to a scheduled day off we will continue in order of the class regardless of the day. I will update the posted schedule accordingly.

## Coming Events

Dec. $12^{\text {th }}-16^{\text {th }}$
Holiday Shoppe
Dec. $13^{\text {th }}$
Dec. $15^{\text {th }}$
GoMath Chapter 5 Test
Reading and Spelling tests Christmas/Winter Holiday Party
Dec. $16^{\text {th }}$
Dec. 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$
Jan. $3^{\text {rd }}$
Discovery Comfy Day
No School - Begin winter break
Classes Resume

## Sign ups

I've added a new page to the class web page. It is a page with links to currently available sign ups. The Spring conference schedule will show up there after the new year. Our current party sign ups are there now. Look for the sign ups in the left panel menu. There are still openings to help with the Christmas/Winter Holiday Party
http://neptunewcs.weebly.com/sign-ups.html

## Homework Week of December $12^{\text {th }}$

## Monday

Review the contents of your take home envelope with your parents. Return the empty Homework envelope on Tuesday.

Read your Unit 2 Week 3 High Frequency, list words, and Ten Important Sentences to someone.
Share our Sing With Me song with someone.

## Tuesday

Complete the Math Challenge worksheet attached.

## Wednesday

Share a book with someone. Library books are due tomorrow.

## Thursday

Edit the sentences below. Rewrite the sentences on the lines below.

## 1. bob is in my class

## 2. Can he work wit me.

## 3. tina helps me at school

## 4. Hse is my friend,

## 5. The cat has the Hat

$\square$ Capitals; $\square$ Lowercase; $\square$ Spelling; $\square$ Punctuation; $\square$ Completeness; $\square$ Handwriting; $\square$ Spacing

## Your homework is due Friday.

Additional resources are coming home with the homework. These are suggestions for extra study but are not required homework. Use them as you see fit.

Child's Name:

## Parent Signature:

Name:

## Math Challenge

Complete the operations. Watch the signs!
1.

2.

3. 7
4.
3
5.
4
6.

- 2


7. 


8.

$+9$
$+13$

10.
9.
1
10.

$-8$
11.

12.



What number should be added to the first number to make the second number?
13.

16.

17.

18.
0 $+\quad+$

Solve.
19. John has 2 peaches. Paul has 3 peaches. How many more peaches does Paul have than John?
20. John has 4 fewer plums than Paul. Paul has 7 plums. How many plums does John have?

## Unit 2 Week 3 Word Lists

Who Works Here?

| High Frequency Words |
| :--- |
| live |
| out |
| people |
| who |
| work |

## Amazing Words

branch
citizen
community
earn
headquarters
law
leader
patrol

| Spelling Words; Long I spelled i_e |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| bike | like |
| dime | ride |
| hide | smile |
| ice | time |
| kite | white |

## Story Words

busy
mail
neighborhood

Long I spelled i_e
bikes
bite
dine
dive
drive
fine
fire
fires
five
glide
hive
life
lime
line
mice
Mike
mile
mine
nice
nine
pine
pipe
price
pride
prize
rice
ripe
rise
shine
size
slice
slide
spine
tide
tile
vine
while
wide
wife
wipe
wise

Digraphs: wh, ch, tch, ph
whale chop what each when graph
which
while
whim
whip
whisk
white
chalk
champ
chase
chat
check
chess
chick
children
chill
chime
chin
chip
inch lunch
much ranch
rich
such batch catch clutch ditch itch latch match Phil pitch Stephen switch watch
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## Words to Read

II. who

Home Activity Your child is learning to spell words with the long $i$ vowel sound. To practice at home, have your child write each word as you say it aloud.

## Who Works Here?

I. People live and work in the neighborhood.
2. Who works in this place?
3. They all like to help us.
4. I help us all stay safe.
5. I help stop fires.
6. I drop mail in this box.
7. I drive this big bus.
8. I pick up trash.
9. Who works where you live?

IO. Smile at them like Phil.

## Our Community

To the tune of Do You Know the Muffin Man?
We like our community.
The citizens are you and me. It is where we live and work. What a great place to be.

Our leader is Mayor Brown, She's the boss of our whole town.
She solves all our problems and She never lets us down.

Sergeant Dan's a deputy. He's as busy as can be. He enforces every law Yo keep us safe and free.

Here are ways to help your child practice skills while having fun!

## Day 1

Do a rhyming activity. Say one of the following words and have your child think of a word that rhymes with it: hike, wide, while, lime, fine, mice.

## Day 2

On cards, write white, wham, whack, check, chin, chat, batch, latch, itch, stitch, fetch, graph. Write $w h, c h$, and $t c h$ on separate cards. Have your child sort the words under the matching word-part cards and read them.

## Day 3

Write these words: live, out, people, who, work. Together, write a poem about people in your neighborhood. Read the poem together and have your child underline the list words.

## Day 4

Write each spelling word on a card: like, ride, smile, time, white, bike, dime, hide, ice, kite. Have your child sort the words into groups of words that rhyme and "other" words.

## Day 5

This week your child is learning about why an author wrote a story, such as to inform or entertain. As you read a story, discuss the author's purpose for writing it.

## Name



This week we're
Reading Who Works Here?


Talking About Who works to make our community a nice place

Learning About Long $i$; i_e; Consonant Digraphs wh, ch, tch, ph Author's Purpose

## Fire! Fire!

Materials red and yellow crayons

## Game Directions

1. Players take turns reading the words on the fire truck.
2. If the word has a long $i$ sound, the player colors the space red.

