



# Lapham Legend

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## Math

Today we had a big assessment covering the first two math units; place value with decimals and adding and subtracting numbers with decimals. For the next week we will be working on multiplying large numbers, multiplication properties, and exponents.

## Language Arts

This week in language arts we continued practicing development of thick and thin questions as we read. Asking questions helps trigger our minds to search for the answers, which in turn leads to greater comprehension of what we are reading! Questioning is a magnificent reading strategy. Our word study revolved around homophones, which are words that sound the same, but are spelled differently.

## MAPS TESTING:

TUESDAY WE WILL BE TAKING OUR FALL MAPS READING TEST; THIS IS A MEASURE OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS THAT HELPS US UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHAT LEVEL YOUR CHILD IS PERFORMING AT IN THE AREA OF READING, AND WE TRULY PLAN OUR INSTRUCTION AROUND WHAT WE LEARN FROM THESE TESTS. IT IS A VERY HELPFUL TOOL. PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO DO HIS/HER VERY BEST!

## The Gauntlet:

We are reading Mystery books for the next two weeks. If your child completes a book from the Gauntlet booklist, they can participate in a tremendous morning of fun and games all related to mysterious events! Our upcoming genre is INFORMATIONAL texts; feel free to read ahead! Students are asked to read and pass 7 AR books this trimester. PARENTS: I am sending home a DONATIONS slip; we would like to give raffle prizes to the children who participate in the Gauntles; the more raffle tickets earned, the better chance to win a prize! If you are able and interested in sending in a donation, it would be greatly appreciated!

### Parent Night:

It was wonderful to meet so many of you last night at parent night! I look forward to working with you and your child throughout this school year. If you were not able to be here, your child will bring home a packet of information as well as a school handbook form that needs to be signed and returned to school.

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### Important Dates:

- ❖ Monday, 9/12 Band Registration 4-7 at Schiesher
- ❖ Friday, 9/16 is an early dismissal day; 11:45 am school will end.
- ❖ Hearing and Vision screenings will take place the week of 19-23<sup>rd</sup>.