

Presenting Room 17 News

Spotlight on Learning

Dear Room 17 Families,

Thank you for volunteering to join us on field trips through out the year.

I will be sending home a composite list of volunteers later this week.

Let's hope for a beautiful morning on September 16 the date of the field trip to the Morton Arboretum Prairie.

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Sincerely, Mrs. Stacey Almendinger

EVENT DATES

Picture Day	9/8
Vocabulary Test	9/10
State Project Letter Log Due	9/11
Curriculum Night	9/15
Illinois Symbols Test	9/15
Prairie Field Trip AM	9/16
Early Dismissal 11:45 Log Due	9/18

FOURTH GRADE PERFORMANCES

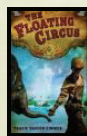
READING



Predicting and Questioning

These are two skills good readers do as they read. So this week the students will be making predictions and asking questions as they read the text selection, Train to Somewhere. To make the practice more exciting, we will be using a microphone to ask and answer questions and a crystal ball to make predictions.

What do these two books have in common?



Writing



The letters are in the mail. Each student has completed a business letter requesting information from the office of tourism from the state they have selected for their state project. Each student has also completed a friendly letter requesting a recipe from a family member or friend to put into a class cook book.

During the next we will be reviewing the format or parts of both types of letter in preparation for a quiz.

We will also be writing Cause and Effect stories using correct sequence and time order words to make our stories clear for the reader.

Word Work

Elements of Reading: Vocabulary

These words will be tested on September 10th.

triumph divine dazzle
vanish stupefy crave
dejected fulfill

Words Their Way Spelling Lists will first come home on September 14th.



Flourite,
The Illinois State Mineral



4th Grader
Line Plot

Social Studies



Square dance, popcorn, cardinal, native violet, and the white-tailed deer are just some of the Illinois symbols the class has been reviewing to learn more about their home state. A test over Illinois State symbols will be given on September 15th. Each student has a study guide to prepare for the test.

Science/Machines and Motion



How would you get the car on the ramp to move without touching it? That is the question Room 17 students had to answer in the first activity in the Machines and Motion science unit. Some of their answers were wind, water, vibration, and using a lasso to pull the car.

Mathematics/Graphing

Kid Zone Graphing
Each student used the Kid Zone Graphing site to create a bar graph, circle or pie graph, and a line graph to illustrate the results of the survey question they wrote and conducted with their classmates.