

Mr. P's Note Home!

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CLASS SHIRTS TO BE ORDERED SOON...

The order for our class shirts will be placed Friday. An order form was sent home last Friday. The cost is \$25.00, which covers both a polo shirt and a t-shirt. Our class will wear these shirts every Friday once they arrive!



OPEN HOUSE...

The MMS 5th grade open house will be this Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 6:00PM. Parents and students will meet in our classroom after meeting in the gym. Parents are invited to visit our class. This will be a great opportunity to touch base with Mr. Parsons.

WEATHER ART

Students are drawing weather scenes to submit to NewsChannel 5. These are due on Friday. Look for these to be featured on the NewsChannel 5 morning report and on their website in the near future.



TWITTER

Parents have another way of staying connected to our class. Log on to www.twitter.com on your computer or cell phone and follow our class. Mr. P will post daily updates about what's happening at www.twitter.com/meigsmagnet

SUMMER READING



Congratulations to those of you who worked so hard on your summer reading. We will begin using the book, *The Firebug Connection* this week as we learn about using scientific method to experiment. All students should have the summer reading completed by Thursday, August 20.

MR. P'S TECH TASK IS A DAILY RESPONSIBILITY

Beginning next week, students will begin using the class website each afternoon. Students will check the HW (homework) webpage each day and complete a TECH TASK. Questions each day on the TECH TASK will support learning that occurs in class and will serve as a way for Mr. P to formatively assess student understanding. More information will be given to students next week!

MR. P'S PROCEDURES...

Students, the following are reminders of specific classroom procedures:

- Push your chair in when you leave your desk.
- Have your agenda signed daily.
- Locker breaks are 7:45AM, and 2:45PM. Students should remember to take all materials from the locker at that time. Keep all materials in your locker until needed.
- 7:45AM morning work is posted on the television each morning as you arrive in the classroom. This is due at 8:15AM along with your daily tech task and all homework. Students, be sure to be prepared everyday and be on time with all of your assignments.

MR. P'S STUDENT OF THE WEEK...

• **AUGUST 24-28, 2009**

Dana Banouvong

Be sure to read about Dana on the electronic "Student of Week" board in Mr. Parsons' room and on the web in the password protected area soon.

Next week's student of the week. . . Sawyer Brantley

ITEMS TO BRING. . .

- Red Tuesday Folder Signature Chart...
- A single pack of Skittles for math (Due: 08.30.09)
- CORRECTED WORK...

DATES TO REMEMBER...

08.20.09 Open House at 6:00PM...
08.21.09 Class Shirt money due...
08.24.09 Due: Spelling test & Personal journal check #1-10...
08.28.09 "All About Me" poster due...
08.28.09 GENERAL STORE #1 & Weather art due...

25PTS: SECRET WORD = • SEE THE WEBSITE...

FOR ADDITIONAL NEWS ITEMS & INFO CHECK:

<http://www.flyparsons.org/notehome.html>

ON THE WEBSITE ONLY:

EXTRA EXTRA EXTRA...

It pays to check the website, too...

This Week's SECRET WORD (Aug 18):

25PTS: SECRET WORD = "PARSONS"

TEAM SHIRTS COMING SOON...

As always, please watch the website to know which days our team will wear the shirts in the future! By the way, the next date to wear the t-shirts is next Friday, ????.



THE 100% CREW...

Each Monday, students with all assignments turned in and on time are eligible for the special 100% CREW. Students can check Mr. P's door to see if they have made the CREW each Monday. This info, as well as the special rewards to be given each week, can also be seen on the class website!

MORE OLD NEWS ON THE WEBSITE ONLY:

ESTIMATION/HOW MUCH IS A MILLION?

We are still exploring estimation this week by answering such probing questions as "How many Skittles are in the jar?" and "How many dogs are there in Nashville?" Hey, by the way, do YOU know how many dogs there are in Nashville? Our "How Much is a Million?" challenge continues as students plan to represent 1,000,000 dots on the wall. Students will also examine their understanding of exponential change with base 10.

MYGRADEBOOK.COM...

Grades are, as always, on line at mygradebook.com.

SECRET WORDS = SPECIAL REWARDS...

Kids, be sure to check the "HW" webpage for the secret word each day. This week a special reward will await those who follow through! Please don't forget!

MR. P'S PROCEDURES...

Students, please be reminded of these procedures to follow during the school day. Please help Mr. P by remembering them.

IN CASE YOU'VE MISSED THE SECRET WORD:

25PTS: SECRET WORD = •LOOK ABOVE TO SEE IT...

FOR MORE INFO CHECK:

<http://www.flyparsons.org/challengersweekly.html>.

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