

# Mrs. Berry's Class

## We are surrounded by ARRAYS!!!

Thanks to all of you that returned the parent homework from the first week of school. I thoroughly enjoyed hearing about your child and your family.

Has your child been looking at the egg carton a little differently or the book shelf? Well, I hope so! I am hoping they are looking for mathematical arrays in everyday objects. The egg carton represents a 2by6 array. This is just a visual representation of multiplication. This helps your child understand what multiplication actually is. Keep working on those math facts at home. We have worked on flashcards this week. These should be kept in your child's homework folder.

Also, thank you to all of you who returned the yellow highlight sheet. We were able to get some free incentives for our classroom. I will be sending another one home shortly. Remember, we get nothing more if you purchase a subscription. Remember, all I need is a no and your signature. No other information needs to be filled out. Thanks!!

I will be sending home a monthly newsletter and a newsflash when needed. Please check your child's assignment book for infor-

mation. Also, don't forget our classroom website. You can see daily homework posts on eboard. This is replacing our homework hotline. (The link is on my classroom website and on our district website.) This week's spelling and vocabulary list are posted there.

I prefer not to have water bottles in the room. However, I know when children are ill or taking medications, sometimes they need that extra hydration. If this is the case with your child, please just send a note with your child.

Also, if your child would like to bring something in to show the class, please send a note so that I know that they have your permission to bring it in. This also allows me to decide if something is appropriate for the class. Thanks for your help.

Last week, we talked about our National Parks and we learned that we have some amazing places in the United States. Ask your child to share what they know about one of the parks we talked about. Your child wrote a story about if they were a scientist and could create a new animal with special adaptations to survive. They did a great job being scientists!

We are just starting Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing. It is a great book that the students enjoy. Please ask your child who the main character is in the story is and what is the big problem.



### Special points of interest:

- Spelling Tests on Fridays

Spelling words go home on Friday

- Vocabulary Tests on Friday

Vocabulary list goes home on Monday

- Chaperone form for King Tut due Friday. Trip is on Monday, September 21, 2009
- Read 20 minutes each night
- Sign your child's assignment book each night.
- Grandparent's Evening September 17, 2009 6-7
- Progress Reports went home today and are due in one week.