

4th Grade

Notes from Mrs. Hall and Ms. Wilson

The purpose of Mountain Brook Schools is to provide an effective, challenging, and engaging education for every one of our students.

2nd Nine Weeks

November 2-6

Important Remember

Dates to

AL History Ch. 4 Test	11/4
Montgomery Field Trip	11/5
Classroom Spelling Bee on Arabic, Asian, and French words	11/6
DOM Quiz Week 11	11/6
Spelling Test	11/6
Grammar Quiz	11/6

Announcements:

- Don't forget to read at least 4 nights each week for 30 minutes or a total of 120 minutes over the week! Students should complete their reading log at school AND at home.
 - Fall Festival Celebration Sunday, November 8th
- Dress up schedule for next week:
- Monday—PJ Day
- Tuesday- Wear blue
- Wednesday- Wear bright colors
- Thursday- Wear purple and gold
- Friday- decorate t-shirt like your favorite candy
- Veteran's Day Holiday Nov.11th NO SCHOOL



Reading Workshop

The focus of our nonfiction unit "Reading the Weather, Reading the World" is learning to recognize different text structures authors use to organize information in non-fiction texts (cause & effect, chronological order, compare/contrast, etc.).

A 2nd focus is on determining the main idea and supporting details in a nonfiction text.

Students will learn to summarize nonfiction texts and to include both the main and idea and supporting details in their written summaries.

Math Workshop

Current Unit of Study: Multiplication and Area / Perimeter Unit.

We are continuing our multiplication / perimeter unit. Students will solve 2 digit times 2 digit numbers using the partial products method (without using arrays). We are still working on estimation to determine whether the answer to a multiplication problem is reasonable.

The graded DOM quiz will come home on Tuesday. Please review any missed problems with your child. Continue to study those multiplication facts.

Alabama History

Current Unit of Study: Ch. 4

Wars Change Alabama

We have been studying the reasons for conflicts between the settlers and American Indians which led to the Creek War. We've read about the major battles fought in Alabama during this time and the impact the Creek War had on Alabama.

Writing Workshop

We are continuing our Grammar unit on sentences and sentence errors. This week students are learning ways to correct run-ons and how to correctly punctuate compound sentences with either a coordinating conjunction or a semi-colon.

Persuasive writing will be our next writing unit. We will read short opinion articles about topics of interest to students. Then we will write a persuasive essay stating our opinion and persuading the reader with arguments and evidence to support our opinion.

Weekly Spelling Words

Vowels au, aw, al

author	gawking
autumn	flawless
laundry	always
caution	almost
faucet	already
sausage	although
haunted	laughed
August	all right
auction	
awkward	
lawyer	
awesome	
gnawed	