



Hotaling/Mitchell News

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Parent/Teacher Conference

Conferences are a wonderful way of keeping in touch with what your child is doing. Please send a note if we haven't had a conference with you/your spouse or we don't already have a conference scheduled for the future.

Canned Food Drive

The Food Drive will end on December 16th. Please bring items of non-perishable foods to school.

Currently Mrs. Mitchell's homeroom has collected 40 cans, and Ms. Hotaling's homeroom has collected 10 cans. Let's see if both homerooms can collect 100 cans!

UNRAVEL

Good readers UNRAVEL the mystery of reading! Please encourage your child to work on this strategy at home as she/he reads and answer questions.

Underline the title.

Number the paragraphs.

Read the questions (before reading the passage).

Are important words circled/highlighted?

Venture through the passage.

Eliminate wrong answers.

Look back for answers (most important step).

Math Fact Fluency

Is your child still using his/her fingers to add, subtract, multiply, or divide? It is important your child has a solid foundation with addition, subtraction as well as multiplication/division.

Please encourage your child to work on fluency and accuracy without using fingers. Here are a few ways to practice addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division.

- 7 Flash cards-You can make your own flash cards or buy them at the Dollar Tree. Place the cards in different areas of your home. When your child sees the card, he/she gives the answer.
- 7 Number Cubes (also called dice by some people)-Roll the two number cubes together to add, subtract, multiply, or divide. If you need two-digit numbers, roll the number cubes twice. Number cubes can be found at the Dollar Tree. You can get a pack of 5 or 6 for \$1.00.
-  On our website, we have links to math activities. For math exploration, go to <http://www.mitchell123abc.com/math.htm>
-  **That's a Fact!** provides opportunity to check knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication, & division facts. http://www.harcourtschool.com/activity/thats_a_fact/english_K_3.html
-  Multiplication.com provides practice and quizzes on different facts. www.multiplication.com

Wish List

We are in need of some supplies. If possible, can you please send these items to school? Thanks so much!

- ✓ Ms. Hotaling's class is in need of crayons and scissors.
- ✓ Mrs. Mitchell's class is in need of pencils and facial tissue.