

Title I News November

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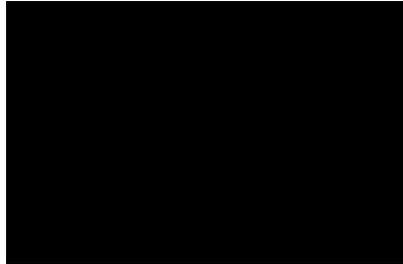
Student Treasure Book Publishing

Families who are participating in the book publishing opportunity need to return their completed book kit to school before Friday, November 22nd. The books will be published between November 29th and December 5th. They should return before the winter holiday break.

Just a reminder the original book kit you turn in will be published for free. If you would like to purchase extra copies you can do that on the order form you received with your packet.

If you missed the presentation that was held at your school, but you would still like to participate, please contact Karen Douglas at kdouglas@augustaschools.org or by phone at 626-2461 ext 3856 and she will get you a kit. Remember all kits are due back by November 22nd so they can be shipped to the publisher before the press date. Kits can be turned into Title I teachers or left in the office.

Books will be returned by the publisher in December. They make great gifts for the holidays and are a great keepsake. The Writing Project is done each year and is a great way to see your child's writing and artistic skills develop over the years. The first book is free and additional copies can be ordered for \$19.95 per copy.

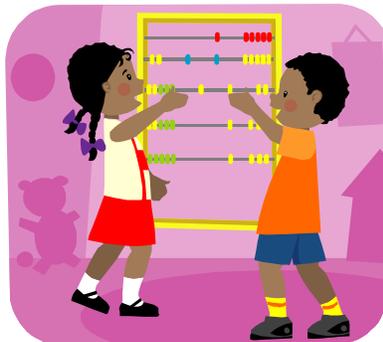


Math Tips for Home

Make multiplying and dividing fun. Practice by using toys or food. If your child collects toy animals, you might ask, "How many legs do 4 horse have?" He/she can "skip count" the legs by 4's (4, 8, 12, 16) to see that $4 \times 4 = 16$.

If you give your child 17 pretzels and you ask them to divide them equally between three family members, your child can "deal them out". They will see that each person gets 5 pretzels and there are 2 left over or $(17 \div 3 = 5$ with a remainder of 2).

For $30 \div 5$, your child might say, "I know $10 \div 5 = 2$. There are three 10's in 30, and $3 \times 2 = 6$. So $30 \div 5$ must be 6.



November Upcoming Events

- Nov. 8th – Early Release Day
- Nov. 11th – No School/Veteran's Day
- Nov. 22nd - 1st Trimester ends
- Nov. 22nd – Student Treasures book publishing kits due
- Nov. 27 – 29th No School/ Thanksgiving Break



Hooked on Books

Spark your child's interest in fiction by helping him/her enjoy popular tales. Here are two ideas:

1. Rediscover fairy tales. Your child might be surprised to learn that different cultures have their own versions. Have him/her type a familiar title (Cinderella) into a library database. She might enjoy Yeh-Shen: A Cinderella Story from China by Ai-Laing Louie, or the Rough Faced Girl, an Algonquin Indian version by Rafe Martin.
2. Rediscover Nursery Rhymes as well. These classic tales were passed on from generation to generation, but in recent years many students entering Kindergarten have not been exposed to them yet. They are a great way to learn rhyming words and to share at bedtime.

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Technology Corner

Here are some online resources and apps you can get for your smart phones, ipads, or other devices that are app compatible.

Websites:

www.starfall.com

www.rif.org/kids/readingplanet.htm

www.Coolmath4kids.com

Apps:

Literacy

My Spelling Test Free

Sight word Hangman

MadLibs

Toontastic

Alphabet Magnetic Letters

Phonics Tic Tac Toe

K-12 eflashcards (K-12)

Bluster

Math

K-12 eFlashcards (K-12)

Telling Time Free

Speedo Math

Counting Money

Math Blaster



Vocabulary Booster

Boost your child's vocabulary by asking him to guess words he'll hear when he goes somewhere. Example: "Can you think of three words they'll use at the birthday party?" (presents, cake, candles). Then, suggest a few more challenging words (piñata, ice cream, etc.) Try this in a variety of situations such as the grocery store, a department store, or a relatives house.

Staying Focused

As your child gets older, he/she will need to concentrate on tasks for longer periods of time. Here are a few ways you can help increase his/her attention span:

- Suggest hands-on activities that require attention to detail, such as cutting out objects, putting together jigsaw puzzles, or searching for letters or words they know around town or at home.
- Audio books can encourage your child to sit and listen to a story. Look for these in the library or at a used bookstore. Before your child reads ask, "When you're finished, tell me what the story was about." Being able to share with you may motivate your child to pay close attention to the story.

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