

**KAMRADT'S COMMENTARY**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2010

**SCHOOL DAYS**

**SPELLING WORDS**

**cat mat**  
**ham Sam**  
**has gas**  
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**am at**  
**as he**

**COOL TOOLS**

Each week we learn about expectations throughout our school. Next week's cool tool is **Respecting Others**. We will discuss ways in which we can respect others in our classroom, restrooms, hallways, etc. Those students having respectful behavior this month will have a field day celebration on October 1st.

Thank you to everyone who made it out for the Open House on Thursday evening. I hope you enjoyed seeing the work we have done in our classroom as well as the clubs and attractions in the gym. A HUGE thank you goes out to the PTO for putting on such a fantastic event.

Each month at school we will be focusing on a different comprehension strategy. This week we worked on making connections while reading. Student's are doing a fabulous job making text-to-text, text-to-self, and text-to-world connections. Please have them share some of their connections with you at home.

During math time we worked on making numbers. Students were able to make different representations of numbers 1-10 with our counting cubes. We also practiced making patterns. Next week we will discuss one or two more than, and one or two fewer than.

Next week we will begin work with our reading curriculum. Students will be placed into reading groups and I will begin sending home baggie books for some students. These are short books that your child can read with you at night. They should be fairly easy for your child to read independently, so please have your child read the story to you, instead of you reading it to them. Once they have read their book they should bring it back to school, and we will switch it for another one. There will also be a sheet in their bag for you to sign as a record of their reading. When the record sheet is full students will receive a prize from me.

A Rocket Reader calendar was sent home last week. Every month I will be sending home a Rocket Reader calendar. For every 15 minutes that your child reads they get to color in a rocket on their calendar. Once your child has colored in 15 rockets they will need to bring their calendar back to me and they will earn a prize. Please note that participation is voluntary and students can only earn one Rocket Reader prize per month. This activity can go hand in hand with the reading of your child's baggie book.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- **Friday, September 3 Fundraiser begins**
- **Monday, September 6 No School**
- **Wednesday, September 15 Fundraiser Forms Due**
- **Friday, September 24 Early Dismissal (11:20)**

**TEACH~N~TELL**

**TUESDAY**

**Harper & Bridget**

**WEDNESDAY**

**Chance & Payton**

**THURSDAY**

**Delaney & Blake**