Class News from 501

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MANHATTAN SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN OUR K-8 COMMUNITY

Reading

This week we are beginning a new unit in reading: Tackling Complexity in Nonfiction. In school, students will be reading nonfiction texts. At home, students should be reading fiction novels to keep up with their reading stamina and to keep practicing all we learned throughout the first unit.

Writing

We have started a new unit: Journalism! As we launch the unit, we are re-writing the Informational Checklist to include aspects of journalism. We'd love to go on field trips related to this unit - if you have any connections to newspapers or news stations and would be willing to help organize a tour of some kind, please reach out to me via email!

Math

Mathematicians will finish our unit on division this week. We are working our way towards dividing three and four-digit numbers by two-digit divisors.

Social Studies

Historians are building geographical vocabulary through reading articles and analyzed a 3D terrain model.

A Note From Your Teacher

Dear Families,

As a reminder, Parent/Teacher conferences are this Wednesday evening and Thursday afternoon. We have a full schedule with conferences back to back both days, so it is important that you arrive on time. I will set a timer each meeting to help keep us on track, and I'll also make sure to leave a couple minutes for you to ask any questions you have. If we are unable to address anything, then we can schedule a follow up on a Tuesday after school during Parent Engagement time.

I have made a slight change to the math homework routine. I am asking the children to play the math games I send home on Mondays at least once a week - for Monday night's homework. Each subsequent night I will send home a math journal problem to solve, but I do encourage the students to continue playing the games to help with math fluency.

Mark Your Calendar

11/15/17 - Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences
11/16/17 - Early Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Conferences
11/23-11/24 - Thanksgiving Recess