



Dear Diary,



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Diary of the Limerick Lads

I can't wait for our field trip tomorrow!! I know the kids feel the same way. We have been counting down the days until we get to go to McGowan Farm! I really hope that the weather cooperates with us. We talked about our classroom rules this week. Together as a class we came up with 5 rules

1. Be kind and respectful
2. Keep your hands and feet to yourself
3. Listen to the speaker
4. Use your manners
5. Clean up after yourself

Then we talked about that if we follow all of

these rules we will get to **HAVE FUN!!!**

Some of us are still adjusting to being back at school. I have had to give many reminders about listening, being quiet, and being kind. I know it will come but it has been a struggle for some of us.

During journal time this week we got a new tool that we can use. We got a Word Book. This is like a little dictionary for each student to use to help them spell words during writing and journal time. The students seemed very excited to have this to help them with their writing. We also started our Writer's Workshop this week.

We talked about how we get to be authors during this time. I am so excited to hear their stories.

During P.E. we have been working hard at our volleyball skills. We are getting better at "bumping" the ball back and forth.

Love,

Mrs. Grams

Thank you so much to everyone that came to conferences. It is so fun to meet with each family and get the year off to a fabulous start!

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Remember a bag lunch for our field trip **TOMORROW** Friday, September 30th to

McGowan Farm. We will be **OUTSIDE** ALL day so please dress for the weather.



Upcoming Events	
October	
Fundraiser Kickoff	4
MAP Testing	3-7
Elder's Coffee-Mrs. Strauss' homeroom	10
Teacher Workday-No School	14
No School	20-21
Fall Party	28

REMINDERS

- Get a good nights sleep next week so you are ready for NWEA MAP testing!
- Eat a healthy breakfast so you are ready for testing



MATH

MRS. KONOPACKI'S CLASS:

We have Rocket Math Experts! The kids continued to practice rocket math and took two rocket math tests. Please keep practicing those rocket facts at home. We also reviewed tally marks and made a tally chart on dice rolls. We looked at the calendar and talked about the different parts of the date. The kids spent time practicing writing number 5 and 6. On Thursday, we took some time out to do a little apple math project.

MRS. GRAMS' CLASS:

We talked about place value this week. We reviewed numbers in the ones place, tens place, hundreds place and even thousands place. We talked about the hundreds chart quite a bit during math this week. Some of the students even got to put together number grid puzzles. We continue to work on money, time and addition. Please continue to support those basic facts at home. Next Wednesday we will be taking our Unit 1 Math Assessment. Please remember Unit 1 homework is due on Wednesday as well.

READING

MRS. GRAMS' CLASS:

We have had a great time talking about vowels this week. We talked about how vowels are the most important letters in the alphabet because every word needs a vowel to be a word. We spent a lot of time reviewing the short vowel sounds. We continue to practice our independent reading and we are increasing the time that we spend doing this.

MRS. KONOPACKI'S CLASS:

We finished Fish Face this week. Next week we will spend some time dissecting the book. The kids had a wonderful discussion about the two main characters and if their actions were justified or not. We read the story Tools and talked about the author's purpose in writing this piece. The second graders spent time finding words with magic e's at the end.

Science By: Mrs. Konopacki

We have continued our adventures as entomologist! The kids this week looked at classifying bugs as insects or non-insects.

We our knowledge about what makes insects special to do this. Their picture charts turned out great!!!