Week of October 12th

This week we will continue math with “math talks”. Students will see that math is all around them and they encounter it every day in their lives. Students will continue to review their understanding of place value and practice drawing models to help them solve problems. Students will also continue to practice addition and subtraction strategies.

In Science we will begin discussing fast changes on Earth such as earthquakes, tsunamis and volcanoes. In addition, we will continue discussing how humans contribute to changes on Earth and our responsibilities in conserving the environment.

In Social Studies we will continue to discuss the purpose of our government. We will analyze the preamble to the constitution and students will then create their own governments.

In Reader’s workshop we continue to build stamina. Students will continue to practice various reading strategies we will review during reader’s workshop. Every week students will pick spelling words. Spelling tests are every Friday.

Every Tuesday students will work on vocabulary. Last week they worked on defining words (that were given to them) using context clues. This week they will complete a word work activity that will be due next Tuesday.

We are also working on WOW words to help expand our vocabulary. Every Thursday a new WOW word is introduced. This week’s word is persnickety! Students compete with other tables for points to use the word accurately throughout the week.

In Writer’s Workshop we will continue with our personal narratives. Students will begin writing their first drafts.

This week in grammar we will continue focusing on types of sentences and applying them to make our writing more cohesive. Students are expected to apply their knowledge this week in their writing.

This week in Islamics we will have our quiz on the unit 1 hadith. Hadith quiz for 4A (Sr. Aliya’s class) will be Monday 10/12 and Tuesday 10/13 for 4B (Sr. Kim’s class). We will also conclude our discussion on the five pillars and begin discussing the six pillars of Iman.

Please check the weebly daily and email me with any questions or concerns.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*Please do not try to discuss matters with me before school or during dismissal. The students are my priority at this time and I will not be able to give you my full attention at this time to discuss important matters.

I will gladly set up a time to meet with you. I ask that you please email me to set up a meeting.