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IMPORTANT DATES

October 14-18: Can Food Drive

October 18: October Scholastic Books Orders Due

October 25: Brown Bag Lunch (11:15am-11:45am) and Hat Day

October 31: Fall Room Parties 2:30-3:00pm

November 1: No School—Teacher Work Day

Team Ronzio's Promise:

- "As Team Ronzio we PROMISE to always:
- *Come to school ready to learn and have fun
- * Listen and follow directions the first time
- *Set and achieve high goals, try our best, and never give up
- *Be safe kind, helpful, respectful, and responsible
- *Work together as a team!"

Information and Events

- Can Food Drive: Next week we will be having a canned food drive. Cans or money donations are acceptable. Our class goal is to bring in 230 cans. The food drive benefits the Central Missouri Food Bank.
- * Congratulations! Since 90% of Team Ronzio joined PTA, we will be celebrating our membership by having a hat day on Friday, October 25th. We will also be having a popcorn day before the end of October. Please contact me if there are any food allergies in regards to popcorn. Stay tuned for the specific day of our popcorn party. Thank you for your involvement with Paxton's PTA!
- * Brown Bag Lunch: You are invited to room 202 on Friday, October 25th for Team Ronzio's first brown bag lunch. Our lunch starts at 11:15am and ends at 11:45am. Feel free to bring in lunch for your and your child. We will be sharing our small moment writing samples that we have been working on throughout the school year. You can also look at our writing goals that we have set for ourselves to work towards achieving.
- Fall Party: Our first Team Ronzio party will take place on Thursday, October 31st. Our party will start at 2:30pm and end at 3:00pm. Thank you to all of our volunteers and donators who are working hard to make this party a success!! (Please do not wear any costumes or Halloween accessories. If you have any questions about this, do not hesitate to contact me.)
- * <u>Website:</u> Remember to check out our website! We have WOW writings being posted throughout the week that show our growth as authors! Feel free to leave a friendly/encouraging comment.
- * Scholastic Book Orders: The October Scholastic book orders are due on Friday, October 18th.

What We've Been Doing

Below are the units we will be focusing on throughout the next couple of weeks.

- * <u>Science</u>: Organs of the Human Body. We finished our unit over the organs of the body and how they work. This week we created our own Organ Trail by making body aprons. Next week we will start our new science unit about the Earth's Surface. There will be many new hands on experiments, so get excited!
- Math: We have continued our context based unit of Beads and Shoes and making twos. We were working with patterns in the form of drawing necklaces with alternating bead colors. The patterns are helping us with our skip counting, ability to identify multiples, and the ability to share our math noticings in our math congresses and talks.
- * <u>Writing</u>: Personal Narratives. In writing we are continuing to set smart goals for us to achieve. Students are continuing to add powerful craft moves to their writing to grab the readers' attention and make the reader feel as if they were at the event. We have also started to revise our writing pieces by making strong and powerful word choices.
- Reading: In shared reading we asked Who, What, Where, When, How, and Why questions to help us develop a deeper understanding of the text. We have been reading just right books as Ms. Ronzio began working with individuals on the DRA2 (District Reading Assessment). For read aloud we are enjoying I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic (ask your child what their favorite part of the book is so far).