## Newsletter October 16th, 2015

Looks like a World Fest NUD to me./



FYI

The Dorothy Floyd Library (Lower School) recently acquired 30 new Playaways. A Playaway is a more convenient and easier way to enjoy audiobooks. Students no longer have to carry around multiple CDs, cassettes or a separate player.

A Playaway is a pre-loaded high-definition audio player and is about half the size of a deck of cards. Playaways will hold the audio for an entire book, up to 60 hours of play. Just plug-in your headphones and listen wherever you go.

It was designed with a universal headphone jack to work with almost any type of headphones, speakers or car adaptors. We are very excited to have this technology in the library. These items are ready and available for check out. The replacement cost for a Playaway is \$60.

Students must be very responsible when handling this technology or will be subject to the replacement fee. If you would like to opt out of your child checking out this technology, please send an email to pascaline.papillonivey@lovett.org. Thank you and happy listening! www.playaway.com

## Updates, Reminders, & FYIs

This Week ✓Monday and Tuesday are F and G Days. ✓Monday - Morning Assembly at 8:00 ✓Tuesday - Chapel ✓Wednesday and Thursday are B and C Days. ✓Friday, A Day, is Homecoming!

> FYIs... •• BLUE/WHITE SPIRIT NUD ON FRIDAY We will also be going to the parade that morning.

> > The "Papers to be Signed and Returned" form was sent home on Friday. Thank you for signing and returning the noted papers.

Please visit the Scrapbook on our class website for some great pictures

# Here's What We Are Studying

The last Unit 3 lesson was taught on Friday. We will review on Monday. The Assessments will be Our last lessons focused on number sentences. given on Tuesday and Wednesday. \*What is a number sentence? (Two or more numbers \*Are all number sentences true or false? (No) \*Are parentheses important in number sentences? with a relation symbol) (Yes) Why? (They tell you what to do first.) \*Explain the meaning of the words factor, multiple, Students need to be able to: \*Explain what makes a number sentence. (At least 2 numbers and a relation symbol: <, >, & =) and product. \*Interpret map scale to determine distances.

#### **Reader's Workshop**

Most clubbers completed their books. They may choose to keep their club going, form a new group, and/or read independently. There are no more writing goals at this time. Clubbers can meet before school or partake in a "Lunch Bunch Book Club."

I am giving individual reading assessments to determine current reading levels over the next few weeks. Everyone should have their novel at school every day. We will be having periodic read-ins.

We are also completing our first unit in reading, "Following Characters Into Meaning." There will be an assessment. Information about testing will be provided later this week or next week.

**Type To Learn Red Alert** Students should have completed through Lesson 8 by November 4th.

#### Writer's Workshop

HELP...We need a picture of each grandparent/special person to accompany their stories for our hall display!

### Focus: Sentence Study

We are wrapping up our sentence study. A final practice packet was provided last week. We will grade the packet together and review for the Sentence Study Test. I am not sure that we will be able to work the assessment in this week. With an Assembly and the Homecoming Parade, our class time will be shortened. Other units are coming to a close this week too. Lots going on!

**Word Study** - The 3rd Grade Learned Word Inventory will be given on Monday. Any words missed will become PSWs. The Sort 5 lesson will be provided this week.

**Weekly Writing** - On Friday, I introduced the students to Keynote, a program similar to Power Point. The weekly writing for this week will be to put together the slide presentation for the "Early Exploration" topics. The presentation is due Friday. Most of this work should be completed at home.

#### **Social Studies**

All unit reading was completed last week. From here on out we will be going over the notes, maps, and studying for the assessment together. We will practice answering test questions in the form they will be presented on the assessment. The "Early Exploration" test will be on Friday.

The maps for the geographic locations will be provided on Tuesday.