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Announcements

Please read over this newsletter, sign the attached portion and return it to school with your child (if you received a hardcopy), or email me a reply if you received an electronic version. Thanks!!

Language Arts

Book Project – Due November 19

Students are expected to complete a Literature Goes to the Museum display for their book project due by Friday. The display case where we will set up these projects is about 8 inches deep and the shelves are no more than 16 inches high. Everyone saw an example of what I am expecting at school today.

Science & Social Studies

I will be assessing student knowledge on the subject of cells and U.S, Landforms on Wednesday, November 17. We will be doing whole class review and study sessions on cells next Monday and Tuesday. Students have all received a study packet for landforms and should be studying this weekend. Please note: the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans were not labeled by kids at school. Please make sure they have the Atlantic on the East coast and the Pacific on the West coast of their maps as they study. These oceans will be on the quiz.

Rubber Bands

Rubber bands have become a problem for fifth graders. Kids are wearing them as bracelets and they have been used for snapping one another and propelling things at others. Rubber bands should not be worn to school but if kids do wear them, they will be confiscated.

Change for Change

Browns River Middle School has decided to help out the people of Uganda with a change drive called *Change for Change* through the Invisible Children Schools for Schools program. This program helps construct schools in northern Uganda while supplying students with clean water, books and tuition. (They also develop teachers and technology for them.)

We have a collection can in our classroom and students, teachers, and parents are challenged to bring in the most money during the weeks of November 15-19 and November 29- December 3rd. Thanks for your support.

Thanksgiving Lunch

I have been asked to remind everyone to let Julie Bean know in the kitchen here at BRMS if you or your student will be buying the Thanksgiving Lunch next Wednesday. She'd like an accurate head count so she can prepare the right amount of food. Thanks.

Conferences

I will be contacting you soon to set up a time for a conference. Report cards go home on Monday, November 29. Conferences will be held on 11/30, 12/2, 12/8, and 12/10. I will be sending home a list of time slots with your child next week and will send you an email on how to access an interactive calendar online for you to sign up for a time slot on one of these dates (I need the weekend to work out some technological kinks). If you are not able to access the web, please let me know.

Have a great weekend!