



SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS DUE THIS WEEK!



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This Week's Highlights

November 17th-19th - Science Projects Due

November 18th - Interims Issued

November 19 & 22nd - In-class Science Project Presentations

November 22nd & 23rd - Eat in classroom (due to Kindergarten feast in café)

November 24th-26th - Thanksgiving Holiday

December 2nd - Manatee Science Fair

December 13th - St. Augustine Field Trip

December 15th-17th - Early Dismissal

St. Augustine Field trip

Please send in your student's permission slip as soon as possible even if you are not ready to send in the \$46. Remember, you can break up the cost into two payments of \$23 but the total must be paid by the due date on the permission slip/letter that was sent home. If you have misplaced the form, let me know so that I may get you a new copy.

SCIENCE FAIR



Focus on Academics

Language Arts:

- Spelling - This week's spelling/phonics pattern is *silent letters in words*. Words such as *doubt*, *plumber*, and *wrench* will be the focus.
- Grammar - We will continue working with verb tenses and subject-verb agreement.
- Reading - This week's story is the folktale My Brother, Martin which recounts the story of Martin Luther King, Jr. as a boy as told by his sister. This is a beautiful picture book adapted for our reader. Again, we will be focusing on author's purpose as we also read other social studies non-fiction pieces about famous African-Americans who had an impact on our history as a nation. We will be working with words and their prefixes as well to determine meaning of unknown words as we read.

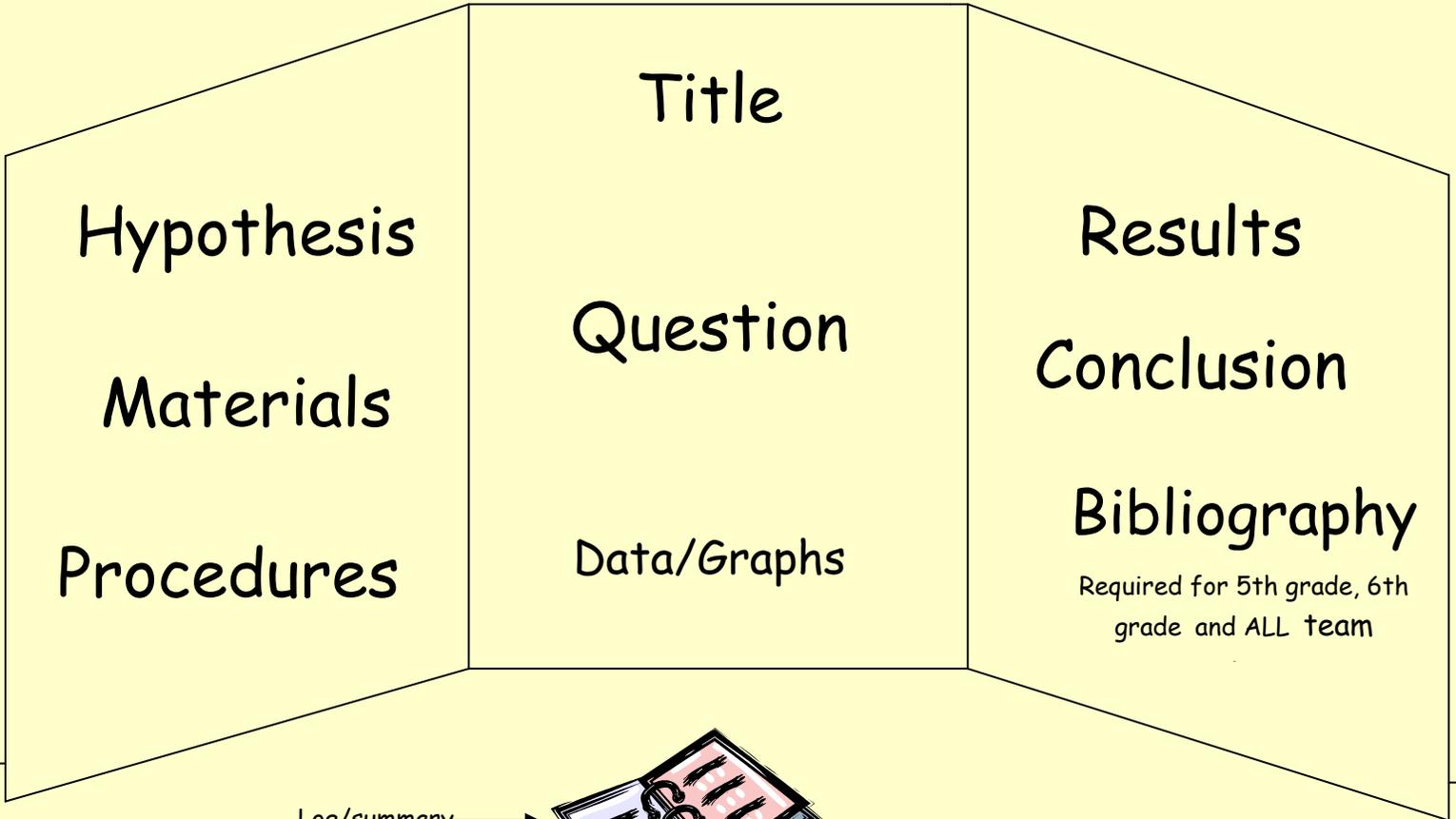
Math-We are finishing Topic 7 which focuses on strategies for solving 2-digit x 2-digit multiplication. Many students are struggling with the steps in the traditional method. Be sure to go over your student's math homework each night. Remember you can access the textbook and activities online!

Social Studies - Florida explorers and Florida history

- The **completed project** is due Wednesday, November 17th - but will be accepted through Friday. The finished display board should have all information typed or neatly written. Also, don't forget the **one page summary**. It should be placed in the notebook (first page), not on the board. The rest of the notebook should include: Log (question, hypothesis, materials list, procedures, observations / data, results, conclusion). The summary will be the only typed page in the binder. The daily observation log should NEVER be typed but written in ink. Students will "present" their projects to the class as part of their grade on November 19th & 22nd. Each "scientist" should be able to explain what he/she did and what happened. At that time, I will also be checking for incomplete projects. Students will need to "fix up" their incomplete projects at home and return them to school the Monday following Thanksgiving (Nov. 29th). Putting it all together is pretty easy if you just follow the science fair folder guidelines. We're almost there!

See 2nd page of this newsletter for suggested display layout - remember there is NO set layout as long as all parts are present.

Science Fair Board Guidelines



Hypothesis

Materials

Procedures

Title

Question

Data/Graphs

Results

Conclusion

Bibliography

Required for 5th grade, 6th grade and ALL team

Log/summary
in a binder on

