

Check out what's going on in Team 403 this week!

In The Classroom

- ❖ In **math workshop**, students will learn division with regrouping (a method that is very similar to the standard algorithm) to solve problems with 4-digit numbers by 1- or 2-digit divisors. We will then review the concepts that were previously learned for Friday's Unit Test.
- ❖ In **reading workshop**, students will continue working with nonfiction text. They will learn about different types of media and the importance of using multiple sources. Students will then practice gathering facts, taking notes, and summarizing the important information from nonfiction videos and passages.
- ❖ In **writing workshop**, students will begin to jot down their thoughts about whether or not homework should be banned. They will also learn about different strategies for planning their writing (e.g., thinking about the reasons and examples they already have, researching for additional support for their stance).

Upcoming Events

- ❖ **Wed. December 4** **Winter Concert @ 5:30pm**
- ❖ Mon. December 9 Math Projects due
- ❖ **Wed. December 18** **Half Day (Dismissal @ 11:38am)**
- ❖ Mon. Dec. 23 – Wed. Jan. 1 Winter Recess (No School)

Announcements & Reminders

- ❖ The "Choose a Number" Math Project instructions were sent home last Wednesday. If your child needs another copy, it will be posted on the blog section of the class website. The project will be due next Monday so please encourage your child to work on it whenever it is possible.
- ❖ Studio in a School enrichment program will begin this week. Each week, a professional artist will come in to work with the students so that they can discover, create, and learn about art. Class 403 is scheduled for Thursday 4th period. Permission slips were sent home last week, please make sure that they are signed and returned as soon as possible!
- ❖ NY Historical Society enrichment program will also begin this week. This is a 5-week program in which students will learn more about the Lenape and be able to create a model of a Native American dwelling. The program on immigration will occur later in the school year.
- ❖ Class Dojo! Your child may have already told you about this website. We started to do a trial run of this behavior management website last week and the students responded positively towards it. Please check out the website (classdojo.com/about) to see how it works. I will be sending home a personal invitation code for both you and your child so that you can receive real time data from the classroom and your child can change his/her avatar. After you have signed up for the email reports, please sign and return the permission slip.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to backpack a note to school or email me at kho@schools.nyc.gov!

Thank you,
Kelly Ho