

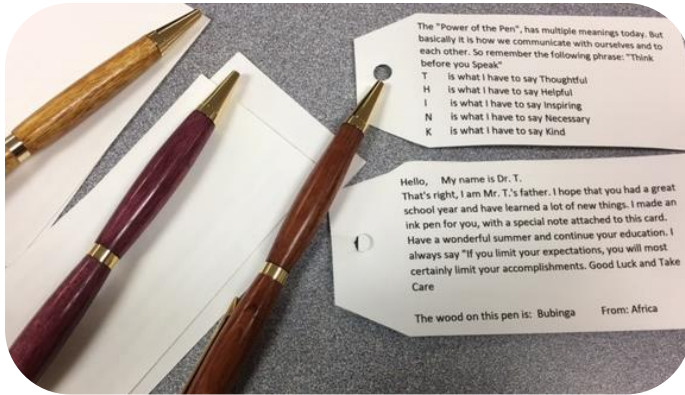
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Updates -

This week has been chock full of review for our upcoming EOG assessments. Students will have their first EOG on Monday. In order for them to do their best be sure they get plenty of sleep and rest on Sunday night. Our lunch time next week during the EOGs will be from 1:10-1:35.

Stay Up to Date



To stay up to date be sure to read each issue of the "Rockin' Croc Times", follow us on Twitter @sycamorecreek5, and visit our [website](http://www.sycamore5th.weebly.com). (www.sycamore5th.weebly.com).

IMPORTANT DATES



6/19 - Science EOG

6/21 - Reading EOG

6/22 - Math EOG

6/28 - 5th Grade Fun Day

6/30 - Last Day / Graduation 10:30 am



Pick of the Week: Amanda



Croc w/ Character May/June:
Micah

May/June Character Trait: This student displays each character trait from over the course of the year, each and every day.

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CHOMP Update

This week has been a pretty good week. We worked extra hard this week reviewing for the EOGs. Our students received a positive note from the substitute when Mr. T was out with an illness. We also did a pretty good job of walking in the hallways transitioning from specials and the cafeteria. Next week we'll once again have to be absolutely silent as students will be testing all throughout the building.

We currently have 281 CHOMPliments

Backpack Buddies

Thanks again SO much for all of your generous donations to our backpack buddy program this year! We are getting close to the end of the year and have several open slots. So, I wanted to send out the sign-up one more time to hopefully get it filled up to finish out our school year. If you are able, please click on the [link](#) to sign up.

We couldn't do it without you! Thanks again for all of your support!!
~ Mrs. Rinkoski

Newsworthy Announcements

Meet the Teacher

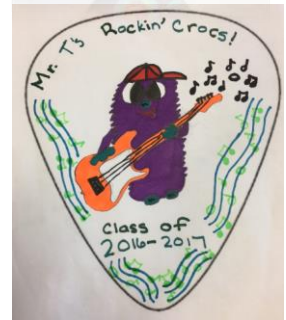
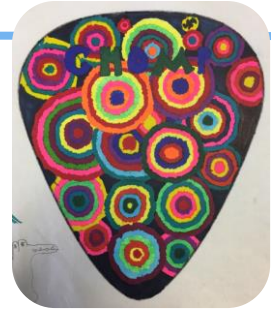
We have scheduled our "Meet the Teacher" for grades first through fifth for track 1 on Tuesday, June 6th, for track 2 on Tuesday, June 27th, for track 3 on Wednesday, June 28th and for track 4 on Thursday, June 29th from 4:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Student rosters will be posted during the "Meet the Teacher" evening.

"Meet the Teacher" for new kindergarten students on tracks 1, 2 and 3 is scheduled on Friday, July 14th from 4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Friday, August 4th from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. for track 4 new kindergarten children. Student rosters will be posted during the "Meet the Teacher" evening.

Special Schedule

Due to the number of staff members needed for testing we will not have morning specials on any of the testing days. We will alternate afternoon specials between K-2 and 3-5 classes on these dates. We will attend our normal special assigned to our room for the day we are in the specials rotation. On testing days when K-2 classrooms have specials Kindergarten will have specials from 12:20-1:05, 1st grade will have specials from 1:15-2:00, and 2nd grade will have specials from 2:05-2:50. Please see the schedule below for who has specials on each of the testing days.

Monday, June 19th (Day 6): 3-5 has specials
 Tuesday, June 20th (Day 7): K-2 has specials
 Wednesday, June 21st (Day 1): 3-5 has specials
 Thursday, June 22nd (Day 2): K-2 has specials
 Friday, June 23rd (Day 3): (as of today) Normal Specials Schedule
 Monday, June 26th (Day 4): 3-5 has specials
 Tuesday, June 27th (Day 5): K-2 has specials



Guitar Pick Designs

The two guitar pics to the right were designed and voted upon by the students in our class! They should be coming in the mail very soon!

EOG Proctors

Sycamore Creek Families and Friends, Your school needs YOU!!! End of Grade (EOG) testing for our 3rd-5th graders is right around the corner. In order to for testing to run smoothly, we will need your help. Proctors will be needed on all the testing dates for track 1 students and our track 2,3, and 4 students.

**Work harder
 than you
 think you did
 yesterday.**

Upcoming Events

EOGs

Parents it is about that time of the year when we begin EOGs. The dates for our EOGs are as follows:

Science - 6/19

Reading - 6/21

Math - 6/22

Fifth Grade Fun Day!

Track 4 Fifth Grade fun day will take place on Wednesday, June 28. This will be an opportunity for our students to have fun and celebrate with other track four 5th grade students.

Classroom Needs

Thank you to all of you that were able to donate lined notebook paper and tissues. The lined notebook paper has been really helpful already with taking notes for the EOGs

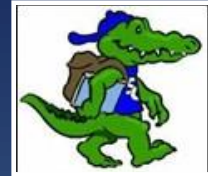
Curriculum Update

Math: In math this week our Rockin' Crocs continued to review. We started with adding and subtracting fractions. We reviewed the methods that work best for us and completed several multiple choice EOG style questions. Next, we reviewed multiplication of fractions. We took some time reviewing methods and specific word problem styles they may encounter. Finally we finished the week reviewing division of fractions. This concept is somewhat easy, but when we work in a rush we tend to make simple mistakes. On Friday, students took a sample "pop" quiz on all four operations involving fractions. Next week we will continue to review when we are in math. Students were also provided a study guide that will provide insight to types of problems our students may face during the EOGs.

Reading: In Reading this week we took some time and reviewed some "good reading" strategies utilizing a couple of nearpod activities. We also completed several EOG practice passages. Our students did pretty well with the passages. I will say that the poem passage and questions was certainly more difficult and tripped up quite a few of our students. During our daily 5 time our students have been working on compiling information for science into a newspaper. During this time, Mr. T has been completing our end of year benchmarking. This information will be in Friday folders tomorrow. In Writing, our students are finishing their final research report drafts. They also began writing their 5th Grade essay which is due on Monday, June 19th.

Science: In science this week, our students continued reviewing a couple specific areas for the science EOG on Monday. We started by reviewing motion and design, our very first science unit. We took notes, played a couple of educational games and completed a motion and design study guide. We then turned focus to ecosystems. We played sever interactive "kahoot" games, took some notes, completed a near pod about chemical and physical changes and students were provided a study guide.

OBJECTIVES



I Can Statements:

I Can... In order to bring purpose to what your child is learning, we post I CAN statements on our board daily. It is important that your child is continually utilizing these to evaluate their understanding. You can check in with your student by discussing the following statements.

Math:

- Make a line plot to display a data set.
- I can determine the volume by counting unit cubes.
- I can solve volume related real world problems.
- I can convert measurements within the same measuring system.

Reading:

- I can read nonfiction text and apply comprehension strategies like annotations and box and bullets to understand the main idea and supporting details

Writing:

- I can take notes on a non-fiction article by using note cards and/or drawing sketches and using captions to understand what I've read.

Science:

- I can apply my understanding of the 7 life processes to explain how multicellular and unicellular organisms are both living.