



K-4th Grade Newsletter

September 6, 2016

Dates to Remember

- 09/08 Steps to Advance Literacy
- 09/10 TLCA Cross Country Team in Kermit
- 09/12 Bricks 4 Kidz begins
- 09/12 – 30 Jump Rope for Heart
- 09/16 TLCA Hoodie Orders Are Due
- 09/22 Character Day
- 09/22 Parent Meeting 5:45
- 09/26 - 30 Scholastic Book Fair

Please Note...

1st and 2nd grade students cannot be dropped off at The Gathering building. All students arrive at school through the main TLCA building.

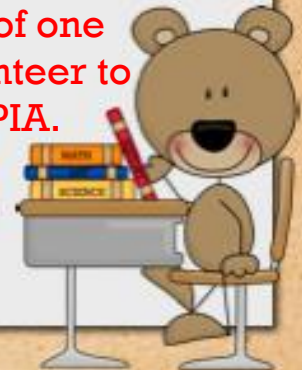
Star Teacher of the Week



Proactive leaders inspire others. TLCA's third grade ELA/Science teacher, Ms. Benson, has done just that. Her positive attitude and love for learning has inspired staff and students.

Important

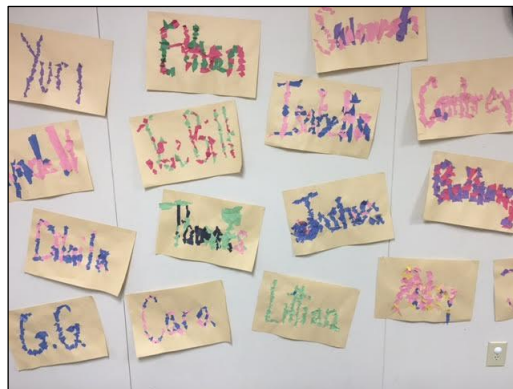
- Steps to Advance Literacy is our theme for International Literacy Day on September 8th.
- Mrs. Kain, our guidance counselor, will be leading our campus in Character Day activities on 09/22.
- Our 3rd and 4th grade students began their iStation work. Look for information from the reading teachers soon.
- Classroom library book donations needed. Contact your child's teacher if you would like to help complete their classroom library.
- PIA leadership needed. Our PIA Primary Chair is in need of one more volunteer to help lead PIA.



Steps to Advance Literacy

Our goal at TLCA is to inspire all to put their best foot forward for students everywhere. TLCA Midland is focusing on Jamaica, September 8th. ELAR teachers on campus are selecting literacy activities to bring awareness to our students that in the US most kids never have to worry about how they're going to get to school; it's a much bigger challenge for students in developing nations across the world.

In many developing nations, the walk to school can be as long as 10 miles. Join our Steps to Advance Literacy initiative by tracking your steps as a family and post your results on our TLCA Facebook page. Each class will be tracking their steps on 09/08 and the class with the most steps will earn a basket of grade-level books for their classroom.



Basic Cognitive Readiness for Kindergarten

- Identifies basic colors: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, brown, black
- Shows an interest in books and learning to read
- Recognizes the difference between letters and numbers
- Identifies some alphabet letters
- Recognizes some letter sounds
- Understands positional words such as up, down, over, under, beside
- Recognizes first and last name in print
- Colors and writes (scribbles, tries to write letters and numbers)
- Counts to 10

