Virtue of the Month
Unity - working and living together peacefully

Practice at Home
One person closes their eyes. The other person must give verbal directions to guide them to a spot. Discuss how the team was united for this activity.

Schoolwide Announcements

- Thank you to those who were able to join us out back on the first day to welcome our students and kick-off what will be a fabulous school year – a year with good vibes!
- Thank you for having a consistent dismissal plan for your student. If an emergency arises and you need to make a change the day of, please call the office by 3:00 so we can be sure to get your child in the correct location. If you know that you will be picking your child up early, please email your child’s teacher and front office staff.
- You will receive an updated list of staff and contacts.
- We are excited to welcome parents/guardians to our Back to School Night event on Tuesday, September 13th. Doors will open at 5:25 and the first session starts at 5:30. For parents/guardians needing to attend another grade level session, a repeated second session will begin after the first one. The event will end by 7:15.

Looking Ahead

9/5: No School – Labor Day
9/6: All PK students attend

Devices
Students should take devices home and bring back to school each day. Please charge devices at home so they are ready for use at school. Some homework assignments will require the use of the device. PK and K students are not yet doing this. Teachers will let you know when they will start.

Health Information
If you have any health/medical information to share and/or health questions, please call Nurse Box at 443-809-6041.
What We Are Working On

ELA: In Unit 1, students will explore the stories people tell by comparing and contrasting first and secondhand accounts of the same events or topics. Through the exploration of multiple accounts, students will practice identifying main idea and details, summarization, and integrating information from two texts. Based upon readings about memorable individuals, students will then select an individual and write a small moment, first-person narrative. Finally, students will take on the role of a children’s book author!

Math: Unit 1 begins the year with a study of multiplication and division, focusing in particular on models, strategies and multiplicative comparisons. In Module 1, students use open number lines, arrays, and ratio tables. They also solve multiplication and division story problems and participate in their first math forum. In Module 2, they use the area model to investigate factors and multiples and prime and composite numbers. They also review strategies for finding single-digit multiplication facts. Module 3 has them working with factors and products as well as multiplicative comparisons and equations. Module 4 extends the idea of multiplicative comparison into the arena of measurement, as students develop deeper understandings of the relative sizes of metric units for length, mass, and liquid volume.

Advanced Math: In unit one, students use the study of volume to review and extend skills and concepts related to multiplication, such as the associative and commutative properties of multiplication. Students will develop major multi-digit multiplication strategies to solve real-world and mathematical problems in elegant and efficient ways. The link between multiplication and division is revisited through the lens of the area model and extended into dividing 3-digit by 2-digit numbers.

Health: In unit 1, we begin with a two-week unit, A Healthy Return to School, which focuses on the Conscious Discipline curriculum. We focus on the concepts and skills of self-awareness, self-management, social-awareness, relationship skills and responsible decision making. Following this unit, we will start our first science unit.

Science: In unit 1, we will begin a 4-week unit Geological Journeys. Students will explore the causes and effects of weathering and erosion. Students will create written responses to demonstrate understanding of scientific concepts. They will utilize the Claim-Evidence-Reasoning (CER) format to write their responses.

Classroom Reminders
Remember to have your child bring a charged device and filled water bottle each day.

Genre and Culture Focus of the Month
Realistic Fiction and Hispanic Heritage Month

Shout Outs
Paw pride Winners for August
Adalyn H.
Molly C.

Birthdays
September
2 Sophia C.
8 Aaron
13 Cali B.
13 Reese F.
16 Lillyanna P.
25 Chase