



# Mrs. Panek's Class Newsletter



## This Week

**\*Getting to know each other activities-** This week, we spent a lot of time building our classroom community. We played games, made Sunshine Names to share about ourselves, and started sharing "What's In Your Bag?"

**\*Hopes and Dreams-** Students decided on a goal for third grade and how they would work towards their goal. Feel free to ask them about their goal-you may be able to help at home.

**\*Writing-** Students wrote about a highlight of their summer vacation. The page will be kept for a memory book that they will get back at the end of the year.

**\*Reading-** We began Read to Self this week. Students decorated their book bins and were able to book shop in our classroom library. Your child is welcome to bring a book from home to read during Read to Self each day. They are also welcome to bring classroom library books home as long as they return them. Books from the library will have PANEK written across the top. Our stamina goal as a class is 20 minutes. As of Thursday, the class was at 10 minutes.

**\*Math-** We started to review some math skills from last year by playing Addition Connect 4 and using math equations to describe ourselves (Figure Me Out)

## Important Information

### Upcoming Dates-

\*Thursday, September 19-Curriculum Night

### Scholastic Book Orders-

If you would like to order books online, visit [clubs.scholastic.com](https://clubs.scholastic.com) and use the classroom code: TL78H

### \*Classroom Traveling Mascot

An optional writing project for students comes in the opportunity to bring home our traveling classroom mascot for a weekend. Permission slips were sent home on Thursday of last week and are due on Wednesday, September 11. Again, this is an OPTIONAL activity.

**\*Our Three Words-** The class voted on which three words they would like to describe our classroom this year. We picked: **Helpful, Friendly, and Kind**. Ask your child what they can do to help make our class helpful, friendly, and kind?

**\*Reading Logs-** Your child has a reading log to be filled out daily at home. The goal is to read for 15 minutes each night. Students should keep their reading log in their Take Home Folder.