



## Week #2 August 20-24, 2018 Room 6's Weekly News

- **We had a successful first week of school getting to know each other and making connections in our new classroom family.** This week we will continue to focus on learning classroom expectations and routines, and we will pick up our pace in academics.
- **The PTA Membership Drive is in full swing.** Please consider joining the PTA, as it is a wonderful organization that helps in many ways at Manchester. I have joined along with quite a few parents; it would be great to have more from Room 6. It is a ten-dollar donation.
- **I will begin to send this weekly note via email next week if you checked that area on the purple communication form.** I am still working on setting up my group and have not received everyone's purple communication form.
- **Back to School Night was last Thursday.** Thank you to those who were able to come. I know there was a lot of information on this evening, feel free to email me any questions that might pop up as you are reviewing the folder. **If you did not come to BTS Night, your child brought a yellow information folder home for you on Friday (8/17).**
- **We will reflect in our planner each afternoon before dismissal.** Students will write down learning topics or activities for the day and mark if it was finished or not. **Any classwork that is not finished should be completed for homework, and be ready to turn in the next day.** We will record the color of our behavior card for the day. At home, students should record the title of the book they read for nightly reading and get an adult's signature in their planner. **Students who do not return their planner will move their behavior card each morning. Planner expectation and an example are attached.**
- **Many parents have expressed an interest in volunteering in our classroom.** I will be working on a monthly schedule and will send that home soon. Our classroom volunteer schedule will begin in September.
- **For Science Lab on Thursday, Mr. Pullen is requesting each student bring a small toy car to use for an experiment on "Forces of a Car Crash".** Cars can be any shape or size. Don't bring your most treasured or valuable toy car.

### **Learning Topics for the week:**

Skills/Language: Sentences, Short Vowels (Spelling)

Writer's Workshop: Poetry Study

Reader's Workshop: Literature Study of *Island of the Blue Dolphins*

Science: Forces

Social Studies: Five Themes of Geography; Geography Terms

Math: Place Value

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