

Chapman's News

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Daily Schedule:

8:20	Math
9:45	Literacy Block
11:05	Lunch
11:40	Specials
12:25	Recess
1:10	Team Time
1:40	Writing
2:30	Science
3:00	Dismissal

Specials Schedule: Week A

Monday—Media
Tuesday-Guidance
Wednesday- PE
Thursday—Music
Friday-Art

Classroom News:

- **Conferences:** Sign-up sheets were sent home on Monday! Please complete and return if you have not already done so! Your child will take the lead in the conference. Expect them to do most of the talking. Many students will be in the classroom doing their conferences at the same time. I will float around and be available to help answer questions. If you feel that you would like to meet for a traditional parent/teacher conference please let me know after your student led conference.
- **Field Trips:** We had our first on-campus field trip , The Body Shop, today! Ask your child all about Scientist Jimmy and the fun learning we did today! The students held real hearts, eyeballs, and kidneys! I have many pictures that I will share soon!
- **Girls on the Run:** Registration for Spring 2010 begins Monday, November 2nd at 9am on the GOTR website: www.gotrtriangle.org. The season begins January 25th.
- **Specials Schedule:** Please note that PE is on Wednesday!
- **Square 1 Art:** Order forms and info were sent home on Monday. Please complete and return by Friday, October 30th.
- **Scholastic Book Orders:** New order forms were sent home on Monday. Please submit all orders online by Friday, October 30th.
www.scholastic.com/bookclubs
Class User Name: lchapman
Password: chapman
- **Message from Girl Scout Troop 913:** See the memo in today's folder!
- **Coins for a Cure:** See the memo in today's folder!

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- **Math:** We began a unit on using addition and subtraction this week. The students practiced estimating by rounding. We learned many strategies for estimating such as rounding to the nearest 10, 100, and front end estimation. The students also did a quick review on comparing numbers. See the Quick Quiz in today's folder! Next week we will represent money in different ways, make change, and round money amounts.
 - **Reading:** We began our study of non-fiction by practicing how to activate our prior knowledge before we read. See the performance assessment in today's folder. Next week we will practice making predictions before reading non-fiction texts.
 - **Accelerated Reader:** The students have new "zones" for AR. They will discuss these zones (reading levels) and set an AR reading goal during your student-led conference next week!
 - **Writing:** We began a letter writing unit this week. The students learned the purpose, characteristics, and format of friendly letters this week. They will plan, draft, and edit friendly letters next week!
 - **Science:** We began our Human Body unit with a study of the skeletal system and a fun hands-on field trip this week! Ask you child how many bones are in an adult's skeletal system. Also ask them to tell you the three functions of the human skeleton! An extension project was sent home yesterday. Projects are due by November 30th!
 - **Social Studies:** The students will have social studies with Ms. Day next week. We will alternate science and social studies every other week. The students will work on a geography unit this quarter!