Welcome to Room 23!

What an amazing class we have! Great attitudes and enthusiasm have made our first week and a half together such a joy. We have been very busy learning classroom expectations, routines, and procedures while getting to know each other and developing a warm and caring classroom community. It’s going to be a wonderful year!

I hope to see you all at Back to School Night on Wednesday, September 10, 2014. The presentation will begin at 6:00 in Room 23 followed by Mrs. Thornton’s presentation in the Multi-Purpose Room at 7:00. Information about curriculum, homework, volunteering, and more will all be covered so I hope you all can make it!

THANK YOU

Thank you for all of the generous donations of school supplies! Your support is appreciated and we are putting them all to good use!
Language Arts
We have been practicing different elements of Reading Workshop each day. Students experienced listening to a story on tape while following along in the book. They then wrote a response to the story. We also read our first issue of Scholastic News, which focused on being a good citizen. In Phonics, we worked on the /m/ sound spelled m and the /s/ sound spelled s. In Mechanics, we practiced capitalizing the first letters of names (only!). In Penmanship, we practiced correct pencil grips and “Frog Jump Capitals”. Students also read independently and with partners. We have been very busy!

Math
We’ve been making patterns, graphs, and learning to recognize groups of five.

Social Studies
We have been filling buckets and learning about rights and responsibilities!

Art and Garden
Last Tuesday, half of the class went to the Art Room with Gwen and half of the class went to the Garden with Kiea. We will be switching each week.

Library
We visited the school library for the first time on Thursday. Dee read The Shelf Elf, which taught the students about library expectations in a fun way.

Assemblies
We’ve already attended two assemblies this year! The first was a “Welcome” assembly with Mrs. Thornton and the second was a conflict resolution assembly called “We Can Work It Out”. We were treated to spinning plates, music, and some impressive juggling!

September by Edwina Fallis

A road like brown ribbon,
A sky that is blue,
A forest of green,
With that sky peeping through.

Asters, deep purple,
A grasshopper’s call,
Today it is summer,
Tomorrow is fall.

We are learning the poem, “September” by Edwina Fallis. Once memorized, students will have an opportunity to recite it in front of the class. 😊