

September 12, 2011

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone had a wonderful weekend and is ready for the new week!

This week, we will be taking our test on the world map and its features. We will continue studying maps, now looking at North America, Utah and where we live. In addition, we will touch on landforms and water features on maps. In science, we will be studying the three types of rocks that are in the crust! This Friday, students are asked to bring in their

rock collections to share during show and tell time.

In Math, we will be taking our Chapter 2 test on Friday. I am sending home the textbook on Thursday so that you may review concepts with your child if you wish.

In phonics, we have finished our review of the first sound of phonogram "a". We will begin looking at the short "i" sound as well as various consonant letter blends.

On our website, Mrs. Weldon has added some helpful links for learning phonograms. As time goes by, I will be trying to find the best free websites for reading and math practice (that are both fun and educational). Let me know if you know of some great sites. Email me at www.www.gfautah.org.

Also, a note about Engrade: until now, I haven't posted missing work as "m" on Engrade which would result in a zero for a grade. I am starting to do that now. Blank grades do not average into your child's scores, it is as if they never received that assignment; however, if your child didn't do so well on one assignment, having missing assignments give that low score more weight in their grade average. I will be sending home a missing assignment sheet starting this week whenever I find missing work so that you can try to help your child find their missing work.

Let's all have a wonderful, educational week!

Love,

Mrs. Way