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Ms. Coleman's
4th Grade

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Special points of interest:

- Book Project Due: on Friday, October 31.
- Election Extra Credit Packet due October 31.
- Parent Conferences start on November 3rd. Please return the orange conference form ASAP!

What We're Doing

The first week of school we made Gloop. It was really fun to play with, but it got very messy. Making gloop was such a great "get to know you" activity for all of us!

The second week of school week of school we made relief maps, that showed elevations of North Carolina. By doing this activity we learned about the three regions of our state. They are the costal plain, the piedmont, and the mountain regions.



During writing workshop we made pop-up books and wrote about things that are important to

us, We call this our "important book". When we finished the books we put them on display in the school media center for the whole school to see!

We did was a math project where we designed outfits and practiced making change. We designed the outfits on the computer and then had Mr. C's class come to our store and buy our garments. When they wanted to purchase our item they paid us and we made change. This was a really good hands on money activity.



Classroom Wishlist

- Glue Sticks
- No. 2 pencils
- Small plastic cups
- Plastic silverware
- Double sided foam tape
- Snacks

Welcome to our new music teacher—Ms. Harrell !

This is Ms. Harrell's fourth year teaching music and her first year at Estes. Her goal in life is to be the best she can be! Apparently, she has a surprise to do with the new school song for Estes Hills. She is excited about having her own

smart board which is an interactive white board in the classroom. This year the third and fourth graders are getting recorders and will be playing them along with the NC Symphony.

We think she is a good music teacher

because she is teaching us how to write music. Recorders are going to be fun to learn how to play! Ms. Harrell's daughter is in 3rd grade and she is really sweet. Ms. Harrell is really cool.



Advice Column

Dear Editors,

I know someone who complains when another student tells on his friends when they do something wrong, but he tells on my friends all the time. What should I do?

Sincerely,
Confused

Dear Confused,

If he complains again try talking to him about how you feel. Remind him that reporting unsafe or disrespectful behavior is important for everyone. When in doubt— talk to the teachers. They are great at solving these types of problems.

Sincerely,
Editors

Monster Exchange

We are so excited to participate in this creative, educational, project that helps develop reading and writing skills while integrating technology, science, and art lessons.

The Coleman campers are teamed up with a 4th grade class in Toronto, Canada. Both classes are creating monsters that have at least 4 animal parts. This ties in well with our Science Animal Adaptations Unit. The students will then write detailed descriptions of their monsters, which we will email our partner class, so they can try to replicate our drawings.



Writing these descriptions has been more challenging than we thought it would be. It is going to be fun to see what the other class can come up with, based on what we write. Eventually, we are going to create habitats for our creatures. If you want to learn more about Monster Exchange, check out the website at www.monsterexchange.com.

What's Next??

Here are some of our new and upcoming projects:

- **Data & Graphing Project:** We are going to start a new math project next week. In small groups, we will collect data on various topics of our choice and display our findings, using the different graphs and tables we are learning about.
- **Social Studies Region Project:** We are just starting another fun group project about the North Carolina regions. Over the next 2 months, groups will create their own travel agency with the goal of attracting potential tourists to their region. The project components include a persuasive letter to tourists, a brochure, a sample travel itinerary, and a commercial, which the group will film in front of a green screen. What fun!
- **Camper Forum:** Check out our new online forum...a way for campers to write and communicate with other students about the books we are reading. You can visit the forum through our website, www.mscoleman.com. Click on the "View My Message Board" icon, which can be found on many of the site's pages, to learn more!

Star Campers

The campers votes are in! These students were chosen as September and October's Star Campers! Thanks for your hard work!

EVA



LUCAS



AMY



KEES



HUNTER

