 **Mrs. Ricks’ Classroom News**

**Week of September 25th**

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| **Phonics Skill:**  -Read and spell words using digraph **“ck”** (Ex: truck, block, sock) and **double medial consonants** (Ex: tennis, muffin, ladder)  -Tricky heart words for the week: **was, when, why, where, what, which.** We will review these tricky words:  **so, no, of**, **all, some, from, word,** **are, were, have, one, once, do, two, the, who, said, says.** (Tricky heart words are words we can’t sound out. We have to know them by heart. We practice spelling and reading our heart words.)  **Reading:**  -We will read passages and books containing words with digraph **“ck”** and **double medial consonants** during guided reading group.  **Grammar:**  -Identify common and proper nouns  **Writing:**  -Expert Writing (Informational Writing)- (Write about something that we know a lot about.) Our writing will contain a topic sentence, sentences with facts about our topic, and a closing sentence.  **Math:**  -Topic 3- Using different strategies to solve addition facts to 20 | **Core:**  -Mesopotamia- (Understand what a civilization is, the importance of agriculture and cities in making civilization possible, and how civilization began in Mesopotamia)  **Upcoming Dates:**  **-Friday, September 22nd-** Literacy Professional Development for Teachers, No School  **-Friday, September 29th-** Wellness Day  **-October 9th-13th-** Book Fair and Canned Food Drive  **-October 12th, 16th, 17th-** Parent Teacher Conferences  **Monday, October 16th-** Vision and Hearing Screening  **Tuesday, October 24th-** Class Picture Day      **Specials Schedule:**  Monday, 9/25- Music/P.E.  Tuesday, 9/26- Tech/Library  Wednesday, 9/27- P.E./Music  Thursday, 9/28- Art  Friday, 9/29- Music/P.E. |