

AFTERNOON (P.M.) COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

****Fun with Reading**

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By Invitation Only

In this class we will be working on reading skills such as fluency, decoding, non-fiction text, and phonics. It will be a fun-filled day full of reading and language arts activities. This class is great for the students who enjoy reading and those who could use some extra small class support on their reading skills. (Language Arts)

Backyard Birds

1-2

Learn all about the birds in your backyard; their color, where they live, their voice and what they like to eat. Also, you'll learn how to become a bird watcher. Come one, Come all! (Language Arts, Science)

****Beyond Words – Imagery in Literature**

1-2

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Come join us as we explore fun ways to read and write poetry! We will also do a hamburger model for persuasive writing and read the book "Frindle." Students will enjoy writing a concrete poem in the shape of whatever they are describing! (Language Arts)

Bubble Trouble

1-2

Bubbles are all around us! Did you ever wonder what makes a bubble? Learn all about the science behind bubbles through investigations! We will be creating a square bubble, making our own bubble recipe and even measuring bubbles! (Science, Language Arts, Math)

Chicken Soup with Rice

1-2

Chicken Soup with Rice is a language arts focused class. The class will use Maurice Sendak's book *Chicken Soup with Rice* as our guide while we explore the months of the year. We will read each poem, make a calendar, discuss the seasons, eat chicken soup with rice, and many more fun activities. Come join us as we travel through the months of the year! (Language Arts)

Kaleidoscope

1-2

Get ready, set, go! Hold on because we will be traveling around the world and through time! We will visit Latin America, Davy Crockett, Ludwig van Beethoven and Elvis Presley and even visit Italy, all within two weeks! (Language Arts, Art, Music, Math)

Wide World of Sports

1-2

A math and economics class for counting and comparing values of money using a collection of coins and one dollar bills whose total value is \$2.00 or less. Students will review basic economics concepts focusing on wants and needs and professions that serve people to satisfy wants and needs. Students will determine if attending games played by organized sports teams satisfies a want or a need. They will also learn how to add points in the scoring systems used for hockey, golf and tennis. (Math, Social Studies)

****Count on Math**

2

Students will review and practice second grade math skills. They will have the opportunity to learn strategies that will encourage good problem solving skills. Come join the fun. (Math)

****Fun with Numbers** **3**

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In **Fun with Numbers**, children will practice their basics and work on every day math problems. Students will play games, and use other skills and strategies to help with problem solving. Math manipulatives, calculators, and computers will be used to enhance their understanding of number concepts. (Math)

Measure Up **3**

In this course, students will practice measuring an assortment of objects and apply measurement skills to real-life situations. They will also analyze and create their own graphs using data they have collected. (Math)

3R's: Recycle, Reduce & Reuse **3-4**

Every time you practice the 3R's-by reducing & reusing you help protect our earth. Learn how to treat our environment with respect, responsibility and reverence. You'll be surprised how much can be accomplished with very little effort. (Science, Language Arts, Math)

Having Fun with Graphs, Glyphs, and Venns **3-4**

Did you know that you can collect, organize, and interpret information through pictures and other graphic representations in math? In this class, you'll get to work cooperatively with other students to decide how you will put together the data and represent it in a fun and creative way using art to display for others to see. (Math)

Math Mania and Mystifying Magic **3-4**

Come experience math through the use of logic thinking. Puzzles, riddles, tricks, and stories/tales will be used to teach math and the "magic" behind it. Finally, students will also learn a variety of magic effects and will have opportunities to perform them for others. (Math)

Shall We Learn Shells **3-4**

Do you think shells are beautiful and would like to know more about them? Are you interested in our natural world and some of the creatures that inhabit it? Then come meet a mollusk and learn to identify some common shells of North Carolina and Florida with Mrs. Bunn. You will learn to distinguish bivalves from gastropods, as well as enjoy reading, writing and creating shell art. (Language Arts, Science)

Tasty Science **3-4**

Did you ever think of your mother as a scientist when she was cooking your dinner? Well, she is and you can be one too. We will study the sense of taste, make rock candy, cupcakes and many different foods as we predict their outcome and then eat them. We will write stories about food and also write about our experiments. (Language Arts, Science, Math)

****Fourth Grade Math** **4**

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Fourth graders will review and strengthen important math skills from the 3rd quarter of school and prepare for the 4th quarter as well. This is a great class to improve your math knowledge and grades as we get ready for the SOLs in May. (Math)

****Spring into a Good Book** **5**

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Flowers are blooming, snow is melting and books are bursting open as springtime finds its way to Franconia Elementary! With springtime themes from baseball to bird's nests, students will celebrate the coming of spring by reading, writing and participating in interactive games and activities. Join us and spring into a good book! (Language Arts)

Books that Fly, Fold, Wrap, Hide, Pop Up, Twist, and Turn **5-6**

Learn to make a different kind of book each day. Making artist books requires math, creative problem-solving, a little drawing and a little writing, some engineering and science. (Language Arts, Art)

Crafty Cooks **5-6**

Come and be a chef! Learn how to incorporate simple math with making delicious foods. Learn how to write a recipe and help in writing a recipe book that you will take home. Come hungry and leave happy! Learn why food tastes better when you are the one cooking it. (Language Arts, Math)

Entrepreneur: An Economic Simulation Game **5-6**

Have you ever dreamed about starting your own business? Now you'll have the opportunity to create a crafty product and sell it. You will form a company with your classmates, design and create a product, use math skills to record your expenses and determine your profit, and sell your product to other students. Don't worry! We will use only Franconia Scholar Dollars, not real dollars. You will earn Franconia Scholar Dollars by working cooperatively with your business partners and other activity bonuses. Then you will use the Franconia Scholar Dollars to purchase pompoms, magnets, pipe cleaners and other crafty items from Peasley's Warehouse. During this business simulation game, you will learn economic terms, such as market economy, scarcity, goods, services, wants, needs, consumer, producer, supply and demand. (Math, Social Studies, Language Arts)

****Leadership and Team Building II** **5-6**

By Invitation Only – Must have taken Leadership I

Come learn the essential skills for becoming an effective leader. You will spend the session completing leadership training and skill development. You will have the opportunity to utilize these skills both working with each other and with younger peers. (Leadership, Community Service)

Scientific Adventures **5-6**

As the snow melts outside and new life flourishes, come join us on an adventure through science experiments and investigations. Do you enjoy interactive activities, getting your hands dirty, and having an all around good time? Join us as we explore scientific concepts and test our wild hypotheses. (Science)

****It's Mathtastic!** **6**

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Students will learn strategies such as "drawing a picture", "acting it out" and "working backwards" that will enable them to more effectively solve grade-level math problems involving concepts such as fractions, number sense, and measurement. Students will also utilize and strengthen their communication and cooperation skills as they participate in problem-solving activities.