

# THE ROMANO REPORT

A Monthly Newsletter from Miss Romano's Class

*Wow! The first few weeks of school have really flown by!* Fourth grade has been keeping busy adapting to our **workshop model** for Reading, Writing, and Math.

**In Reading**, we have been working with instructional coach Mrs. Kocher to help set reading goals and choose fix-up strategies to help us reach our goals.

**In Writing**, we have been brainstorming and planning as we work towards writing our first personal narratives.

**In Math**, we have been reviewing multiplication skills, learning about place value, and playing partner and group math games to help us work on our collaboration skills.

**In all of our workshops we have been focusing on** respecting the opinions of others, working together, sharing ideas, persevering, and knowing that EVERYONE makes mistakes & struggles make us stronger! (*#growthmindset*)

*What Else?!*

We spent the first few weeks of school with get-to-know-you activities, and creating projects, like our awesome first week about me flipbooks (currently decorating our classroom, and coming home soon).

**In guided reading** students are being pulled with Miss Romano to F+P (leveled reading) test, while others work on reading or personal projects. Many of our students are writing stories and creating slideshows which they will share with the class (if they wish) once complete!

We have also had the wonderful opportunity to work on our **CURSIVE** writing with Mrs. "Shoes"! Our students are making fabulous progress.

## Don't Forget:



**Picture Day**  
is Thursday,  
September 21st

## Classroom Updates:

*We have added a few new aspects to our behavior system!*

**Marble Jar:** Each time the entire class behaves in an outstanding way, or another teacher/adult compliments the class as a whole, a marble moves from Miss Romano's jar to the 4th grade jar. When all the marbles are in the 4th grade jar, the entire class will enjoy a reward--which we will vote on (movie, pajama day, etc.).

**Bravo Box:** Sometimes students are behaving outstandingly, and Miss Romano doesn't notice! When 4th graders witness their peers SOAR-ing, they write it on a slip of paper and put it in the Bravo Box. At the end of the day, Miss Romano reads the papers in the Bravo Box, we clap for the students recognized (BRAVO!), and those students receive a SOAR coupon.

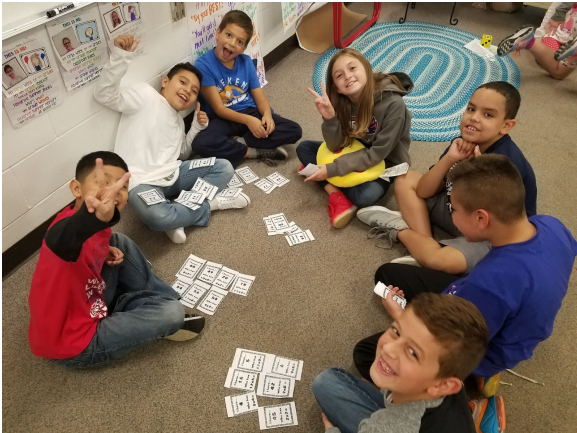
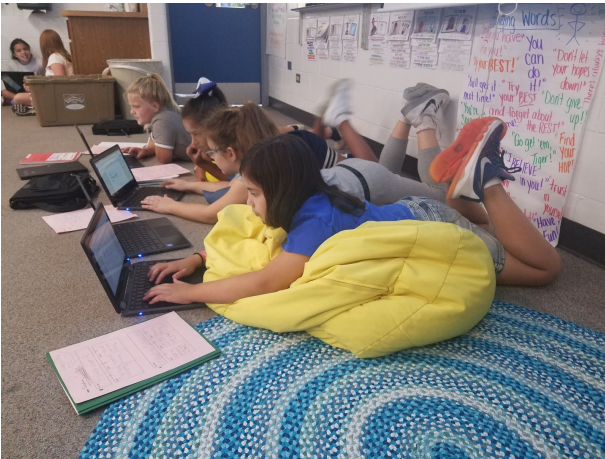
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## Classroom Updates (continued):

**Behavior Clip Chart:** Now that each student has earned their way to the big treasure chest by having 10 “Positive” (green or better) days, students will need to receive 10 “Above Green” days to earn the big treasure chest (light blue--great effort, dark blue--excellent choices, purple--outstanding). The days do not have to be consecutive (in a row). Students should keep their assignment sheets from past months (where they record their color for the day) in their folders so we can count their number of “above green” days. When a student goes to the big treasure chest, the day will be marked with a sticker, and the counting will start over again!

**Remember:** All clips always return to green (ready to learn) on each new day  
Students receive a SOAR coupon each time their clip moves up  
Students who reach purple (outstanding) will receive a prize from the little treasure chest

Students who come to school without completed homework or charged devices begin the day on yellow, as they are not prepared



## Stay Connected:

Keep up with our classroom via our **classroom website** where you can find homework assignments (under the newly added “Homework” page) and the feed to our class Twitter!

**Website:**

[clearmont.ccsd59.org/teachers/romanomia](http://clearmont.ccsd59.org/teachers/romanomia)

**Twitter:**

[twitter.com/missromano59](https://twitter.com/missromano59)

Interact with your child (see what we’re doing in class & respond to their work!), receive updates, and communicate with Miss Romano through our class **Seesaw**. If you need help connecting to Seesaw, please send me an e-mail!

You can also download the **Seesaw Family app** to your phone!

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