Heath Hotline

for the week of September 7th
RED Wednesday (Music and PE)

NOTES from our classroom

☼ Chapter one science test will be this Friday, September 10th. Please watch for study guide/homework on Thursday evening.

☼ We are beginning DRA testing tomorrow to begin arranging reading groups. This should be wrapped up next week. In the meantime, students will be completing independent reading centers and will have time to read their A.R. books in class every day. Most students, in order to meet A.R. goals, need to be taking at least 2 A.R. tests per week.

☼ In math, we are moving on to adding numbers with regrouping. This is a tricky concept still for some students, and not only will we regroup (i.e., carry over) the ones to the tens place, we will also extend to the tens and hundreds place in third grade. Thank you for your support at home, in both watching graded math papers to see if there are any corrections to be made or extra work to practice, as well as working on basic facts (addition and subtraction).

☼ We are working hard on reviewing how to write complete paragraphs. Last week our topic was visiting the zoo, and we wrote a 5-sentence paragraph. This week, we will extend that to 8 sentences, which will be the typical format used in structured writing assignments this year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MISC.

SCHOOL PICTURES ARE TOMORROW, September 8th. Bring a smile! If you are ordering pictures, please send your payment envelope tomorrow if you have not already sent it in.

- Book orders are also due back tomorrow. Don't forget you can order online: Just go to www.scholastic.com/bookclubs. Initially, you will need to create a parent account and will need our class activation code:
  GPZB9
  If you have any trouble with this, please just give me a call or send an email.
- We drew names for field trips last Friday—THANK YOU to all the parents who sent in notes to help chaperone our trips. For now, I was only able to pick 4 names, and those parents are:

Oct. 5, Day at the Farm	March 9, Literature Festival
Jamie Atwell (Lane)	Karla Face (Sarah)
Kari Owings (Eli)	Jennifer Martin (Julia)

  I will keep all the other parent names in my file so that if we schedule another trip during the year, I will have that information. Again, thanks again to all for your interest.