News from Mrs. P's class October 9, 2012

Hope your week has started off well! Due to parent/teacher conferences, students have a shortened week. Thursday (10/11) is a noon dismissal and on Friday (10/12), students do not have school. I'm looking forward to meeting many of you this week at our Parent/Teacher conferences. Just a reminder that conferences will be held in the O.J gym and will be on the following days:

Wednesday, October 10 from 4:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, October 11 from 12:45-4:00 p.m. Friday, October 12 from 7:45-11:45 a.m.

Hope to see you there!

What we've been up to . . .

- ❖ In 7th grade—This week, we wrapped up notes on short story terms and literary devices. We'll be reading several short stories from the students' literature textbook this week and next. Students will also take a spelling quiz on Thursday (10/11). We've been discussing characters, specifically protagonists and antagonists as they appear in some of our favorite books and movies.
- ❖ In 8th grade—We are in the midst of reading <u>The Outsiders</u>. Students will be taking a quiz on Chapters 1-8 of this book on Thursday (10/11). Students should be finishing up the book in the next few days and will be taking a test on Monday, October 22. They should be working on a study guide which will be due the day of the test.
- Next week is Read Across America week and students will celebrate this week with special dress up days, extended homerooms allowing for Read-Ins, and a very special Literacy Day on Wednesday, October 17. October 17th is also a noon dismissal date.

Again, I'm looking forward to meeting many of you this week at conferences. If you aren't planning to attend, but have any questions for me regarding your son/daughter and his/her progress, don't hesitate to contact me at jpeterson@neenah.k12.wi.us

Have a wonderful week and thanks for all you do! Jen Peterson