Arithmetickles show a success at Fall Math Night

Forest Math Night was held on Tuesday, December 1st. The ‘Arithmetickes’ Show was brought in from New Jersey to perform for the students. Many of the students got to participate in various math games and activities. All of the games were centered around the idea of making math ‘fun’. Without realizing it, students were using various problem solving skills and advanced computation. Overall, Math Night was a great success with both students and parents enjoying the show. The Spring Math Night will happen some time in March. More Details to follow.

Below are pictures from the Arithmetickles show:

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FOR PARENTS - How to learn Math Facts

Stanford Professor Jo Boaler says that students most effectively learn “math facts” working on problems that they enjoy, rather than through exercises and drills they fear. Speed pressure, timed testing and blind memorization damage children’s experience of math, she says.

Forest teachers often use math centers and games to give students opportunities to work with and practice their facts. We’ve also introduced fun games at prior math nights to give students and parents ideas for the home. But, knowing math facts is important as mathematical concepts continue to ‘build’, so keep practicing!!

KIDS CORNER

Have a bright idea? If you have an idea for a math game, riddle, or puzzle, you may submit them to me, either in my mailbox at school, or e-mail at Jason.Heffernan@whschools.org. I would love to see ideas that you have shared with other students.

FOR MORE MATH GAMES AND PUZZLES, VISIT MY WEBSITE AT forest.whschools.org

Math Riddle: How many squares are there?

Math Challenge: What’s 1/2 of 1/2 ?

Last Month’s Riddle:

Find the missing number:

\[ 2 \times 3 \times \square = 30 \]

Answer: 5