Forest School will host its second annual “Learning Fair” during the school day on Tuesday, June 7, 2016. Like last year, parents will have an opportunity to visit their child’s classroom and see the learning in action! Students will be participating in their Daily 5 lessons as well as Math Centers. Student work will be on display as well as a picture slide show that highlights many of the events and celebrations we had throughout the year. A schedule and sign-up form will be going home soon, so be on the lookout!!

Students Outperform Expections on Symphony Assessment

At the beginning of the month, students in grades K-4 took the Symphony Spring Benchmark Assessment. Students took the Fall and Winter Assessments during the year and the results are compared to one another to show student growth. The chart below shows how each grade level (Red) performed according to what the Symphony program suggests (blue). As you can see, every grade level outperformed their expectations.

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Forest School Achieves State Recognition

Forest School was recognized by the State Department of Education as a school succeeding in closing the Achievement Gap. Our high-needs subgroup of students performed significantly higher than the district performance in both English Language Arts and Mathematics. The state of Connecticut looks at Assessment Scores from the Smarter Balanced Assessment taken statewide each spring. This year, Forest Students are taking the assessment during the month of May and first week of June.

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:

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