



# Miss Hanrahan's Class Newsletter

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We read the Weekly Newsletter! Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent: \_\_\_\_\_

## Dear Parents...

Your child brought home their mid-trimester progress reports last Friday. If you have not already done so, please review this report with your child, sign, and return it to me (so I know that you have seen it). There are still opportunities across all subjects for your child to raise his/her grades, if need be. I HIGHLY recommend that you review your child's graded work each Friday, and the Q online gradebook as it is updated (see date below). I also update student homework and behavior daily on ClassDojo. As I mentioned at Parent Information Night, if your child receives a D+, D, D-, or an F on ANY test or assignment, I request that you discuss the assignment with your child, sign it, and return it to me the following Monday. All math, science, and social studies tests, earning a B- or lower (not including class worksheets) can be retaken for a higher grade! Students must correct their wrong answers, show their work, and have their test signed by a parent. I will then retest the student on any missed questions (worth half a point each for a retest). I appreciate your support, and please let me know if you have questions!

## This Week's Math and Social Studies Standards / Test Dates

This week in Math, students will finish working with Topic 1: Multiplication and Division: Meanings and Facts. Friday, your child will review the main ideas from Topic 1, and they will test next Monday. Remember, Math tests are always open-note! Students may always take textbooks home for homework assistance and to study from, as long as they are returned the following school day. If your child would like to add information from their textbook (or a fabulous math strategy from their parents) into their class notes, I highly recommend that they do so! Also, if your child's notes are not legible (especially if the notes are not legible to them), this week would be a great time to focus on rewriting key points that may be useful on the test.

We have transitioned back to our Social Studies text! In Chapter 2: California's Indians, your child will learn about the differing lifestyles of the Northern Coastal, Central Valley, Desert, Mountain, and Southern Coastal Native American tribes that lived in California 13,000 years ago. Together we will compare and contrast the distinctive climate, land, and natural resources surrounding each tribe, as well as their traditions, types of shelter, diet, and various artifacts.

### Language Arts Theme and Skills

**Theme:** Character's Actions and Reactions  
**Reading Objective:** I will be able to read and analyze literary characters.

**Essential Question:** "How do we reveal ourselves to others?"

**Grammar Skills:** Complete Sentences & Correct Spelling

**Writing Skill:** Personal Narrative

### Vocabulary Terms

1. **indifferent:** (pg.18)  
lack of concern for something

### Spelling Words

Test Date: Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

1. abundant
2. communicate
3. refused
4. used
5. adult
6. continued
7. uncover
8. usually

### Sound/Spelling Skill Patterns:

Long u and Short u

**Do NOT capitalize spelling words!**

## P.T.A. Reflections Art Contest



Entries  
Due in  
October!

2017 Theme:  
"Within Reach"

### Weekly Poem

(Odds only) Due: Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

#### 7 Habits (Part 1 of 3)

I am Proactive,  
This is true.

I'm in charge of myself,  
And you're in charge of you!

I Begin With the End in Mind  
For the things I want or need,  
Because if I'm going to grow,  
I must first plant the seed.

I do my work  
And then I play,  
I put First Things First,  
Each and every day!

### Homework

#### Monday:

**Newsletter:** Read, sign, and return!

**Language Arts:** Read (20+ Minutes) & Log

**Math:** 1-7 Multiplication and Division  
Comparison Problems

#### Tuesday:

**Language Arts:** Read (20+ Minutes) & Log

**Math:** 1-8 Special Quotients

#### Wednesday:

**Language Arts:** Read (20+ Minutes) & Log

**Math:** 1-9 Using Multiplication Facts to Find  
Division Facts

#### Thursday:

**Language Arts:** Read (20+ Minutes) & Log

**Math:** 1-10 Draw a Picture and Write an  
Equation

**Poem:** Odd-Numbered Students

### Latest Q-Connect Update

Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

#### Monthly A.R. Goal

September 1<sup>st</sup>: 8 Points

October 1<sup>st</sup>: 16 Points

#### Artist of the Month

Pablo Picasso