We read the Weekly Newsletter! Student: Parent:

## Dear Parents...

The kids had a blast last Friday as McKinley celebrated Read Across America Day! We listened to a guest reader, and got comfy with pillows and blankets during our classroom Read-a-Thon. For pictures of our awesome celebration, please check out ClassDojo!

In other celebratory news, this Wednesday, March $7^{\text {th }}$ is Grand-friend's Day! Parents, grandparents, and "grand-friends" (important family members/adults) will have a chance to have a picnic lunch with their student during our regularly scheduled lunch time (12:35-1:15). The BBQ lunch will be sold by our Campus Catering for $\$ 3.50$, and Life Touch Photography will also be here selling pictures of students with their grand-friends! After lunch, guests will be invited back to the classroom to read with their grandchild for 15 minutes. We hope to see you there!

## This Week's Math \& Science Standards / Test Dates

In Math we will complete Topic 11: Fraction Equivalence and Ordering, then students will begin working on Topic 12: Adding and Subtracting Fractions and Mixed Numbers with Like Denominators. When adding or subtracting fractions with "like" (the same) denominators, simply leave the denominators alone, and add or subtract the numerators. For example, $3 / 12+8 / 12=11 / 12$.

In Science, we will begin Chapter 5: Fast Changes on Earth. In Chapter 5, students learn that Earth can change quickly in certain situations, such as in landslides, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.

## Language Arts Theme and Skills

Theme: Confronting Challenges
Essential Question: "How do we overcome obstacles?"
Grammar Skill: Adjective Order

## Homework

Monday:
Newsletter: Read, sign, and return!
Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) \& Log
Math: 11-8 Problem Solving: Writing to Explain
Tuesday:
Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) \& Log
Math: Topic 11 Practice Test pgs.282-283 \#1-16

## Wednesday:

Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) \& Log
Math: None :) (Topic 11 Test) Thursday:
Language Arts: None © (Open House)
Math: 12-1 Modeling Addition of Fractions
Poem: Odd-Numbered Students

## Weekly Poem

(Odds only) Due: Friday, March ${ }^{\text {9th }}$
The Simplified Fraction Rap
When the fraction need be smaller,
There's no reason to cry!
Find the greatest common factor, Then it's time to simplify!
First divide the bottom,
And then divide the top.
The fraction keeps on getting smaller, 'Til you've got to stop!

## Spelling Words <br> Test Date: Friday, April 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$

1. barely 2 . counterclockwise 3 . peacefully
2. speedily 5. clockwise
3. disdainfully
4. sideways 8. wildly

Sound/Spelling Skill Patterns:
Adverb Suffixes: -ly, -ily, -ways, -wise
Do NOT capitalize spelling words!

## Latest Q-Connect Update

Monday, March $5^{\text {th }}$
Monthly A.R. Goal
March $1^{\text {st: }} 56$ Points
April $1^{\text {st }}: 64$ Points
Artist of the Month
Georges Seurat

Latest Q-Connect Update
Monday, March $6^{\text {th }}$
Monthly A.R. Goal
May $1^{\text {st: }} 63$ Points
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