

Miss Hanrahan's Class Newsletter

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Dear Parents...

First, I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all of the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and other family and friends that were able to make it to Open House last week! The students had a great time showing off all of their hard work, and I hope you enjoyed yourselves as well. ©

In other news, I am proud to announce that McKinley Elementary School has earned the honor of being a "Leader-In-Me Lighthouse School!" This honor is given only to very select schools across the country that have implement The Leader in Me paradigms and practices with consistency and fidelity. Thanks to the hard work of our students, McKinley is the first school in the Inland Empire to earn this prestigious recognition! Congrats to all! Finally, a few reminders of upcoming dates and events:

- James and the Giant Peach permission slips are due no later than Thursday, April 26th!
- Field Trip permission slips and \$5.00 payment are due by May 8th.
- The official Language Arts portion of the SBAC will begin May 3rd, and will continue through May 9th.
- > ALL students must be re-registered online (via computer only) to save a place at McKinley for next year! A reminder went home last week, but please see the office for details if you need further assistance!

This Week's Math & Social Science Standards / Test Dates

In Math we will complete Topic 13: Extending Fraction Concepts. In Topic 13, students learn how fractions and decimals relate to one another, and how to compare numbers to two decimal places. For example, in the number 563.21, the 2 is in the tenths place and the 1 is in the hundredths place. That number is greater than 563.19 because there is only a 1 in that tenths place. Students will jump ahead to Topic 15: Solving Measurement and Data Problems following Thursday's Topic 13 test.

In Social Studies, your child will begin Chapter 8: A Growing Economy. The students will read about the rapid economic development in California in the late 1800's and early 1900's, and its effect on Californians. They will also learn how the great San Francisco earthquake and fires of 1906 leveled the city, as well as how the need for its rebuilding helped create many employment opportunities.

Language Arts Theme and Skills

Theme: Core Literature Unit **Story:** James and the Giant Peach

Genre: Fantasy

Homework Monday:

Newsletter: Read, sign, and return! **Language Arts:** Dodecahedron #12

Math: 13-9 Using Money to Understand Decimals

Tuesday:

Language Arts: Dodecahedron #9 & #11

Math: 13-10 Draw a Picture

Wednesday:

Language Arts: None ©

Math: Topic 13 Practice Test pgs.358-359 #1-18

Thursday:

Language Arts: None © (Chapters 25-39 Test)

Math: None ☺ (Topic 13 Test)

Poem: Odd-Numbered Students

Vocabulary Terms

"James and the Giant Peach"
Ch. 25-39

1. <u>vital</u>: (p.75) necessary to life 2. **brink**: (p.79)

the edge of a steep place

3. <u>stealthy</u>: (p.82) secretive and quiet 4. <u>enthralled</u>: (p.91) captivated; charmed

5. <u>flabbergasted</u>: (p.93)

surprised

6. <u>skyscraper</u>: (p.102) a tall building with many stories

7. <u>plummeted</u>: (p.106) fell; dropped

8. monument: (p.118)

a building or statue created in memory of a person or event

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Spelling Words

None ©

Important Dates

04/30: SBAC Test Week (Math)
05/08: Field Trip Permission Slips/\$ Due

05/11: Last Scholastic Book Order **05/22:** 4th Grade Field Trip **05/23:** Park Day (Lunch & Play)

05/24: P.E. Field Day **05/25:** Color Run

05/28: No School (Memorial Day) **05/31:** Trimester 3 Awards Assembly **06/01:** Last Day of School & Report Cards

Weekly Poem

(Odds only) Due: Friday, April 27th

The Transcontinental Railroad (Part 3 of 3)

In Promontory, Utah After so much time and sweat A golden spike was driven in, When the two ends finally met.

For the very first time ever, Folks could journey far and wide. It took not half a year, but just a week To travel 'cross the countryside.

<u>Latest Q-Connect Update</u> Friday, April 20th

Monthly A.R. Goal

April 1st: 64 Points May 1st: 72 Points

Artist of the Month

Claude Monet