



Miss Hanrahan's Class Newsletter

November 27 – December 1, 2017

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We read the Weekly Newsletter! Student: _____ Parent: _____

Dear Parents...

What a fantastic and relaxing break that was! I hope all of you were able to spend time with your loved ones, and enjoyed a good meal over the holiday. Our next break is just around the corner, but there is still plenty to do, so let's get to it!

To those students participating in the extra credit mission project, this is a friendly reminder that the final due date is Friday, December 15th. Please see the classroom website for further details, and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions! ALL information (including step-by-step instructions, exhibit examples, and grading rubrics) are available online at misshanrahan.weebly.com. Please keep in mind that this project is NOT mandatory, but is a great opportunity for students to participate in a fantastic learning experience, and also potentially raise their second trimester Social Studies, Written Language, and Oral Language grades. If your child is participating in the mission project, keep in mind that the written report, exhibit, and presentation are all requirements. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions!

In other news, the Spark of Love Toy Drive will run from 11/27 - 12/15. If you would like to donate a NEW and UNWRAPPED toy to children in need this holiday season, please deliver your gift to your child's classroom!

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

In Math, we will begin Topic 8: Developing Fluency: Multiplying by 2-Digit Numbers. Topic 8 challenges students to multiply without the ease of rounding. In our notes, we will often refer to the multi-digit multiplication process as "getting an award." Fourth graders frequently forget their zero place-holder and/or become stuck once they have completed their first set of multiplication factors. This analogy helps to eliminate those situations. Please ask your child to bring their notebook home and explain how "getting an award" applies to their multiplication this week!

Students will begin their Earth Science unit this week, starting with Chapter 3: Rocks and Minerals. In this chapter, your child will learn the various classification methods for rocks and minerals, and how and where different rocks and minerals are formed. The Chapter 3 test will be next week.

Language Arts Theme and Skills

Theme: Understanding Different Points of View

Essential Question: "What do we learn when we look at the world through the eyes of others?"

Grammar Skill: Relative Pronouns & Punctuate Quotations

McKinley will hold its annual turkey feast TOMORROW November 28th! The feast will include turkey, mashed potatoes, veggies, rolls, and other traditional Thanksgiving treats. The cost for students will be the usual \$2.75, and parents are welcome to join in on the fun during our regular lunch time (12:35-1:15). Adult meals will be \$3.50.



Spelling Words

None ☺

Weekly Poem

(ODDS and EVENS) Due: Friday, December 1st

The Rock Cycle Song
(Sing to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

SEDIMENTARY rock
Has been formed in layers
Often found near water sources
With fossils from decayers.

Then there's IGNEOUS rock
Here since Earth was born
Molten lava, cooled and hardened
That's how it is formed.

These two types of rocks
Can also be transformed!
With pressure, heat, and chemicals
METAMORPHIC they'll become.

Homework

Monday:

Newsletter: Read, sign, and return!

Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) & Log

Math: 8-1 Arrays and Multiplying 2-Digit Numbers

Tuesday:

Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) & Log

Math: 8-2 Arrays and an Expanded Algorithm

Wednesday:

Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) & Log

Math: 8-3 Multiplying 2-Digit Numbers by Multiples of 10

Thursday:

Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) & Log

Math: 8-4 Multiplying 2-Digit by 2-Digit Numbers

Poem: Odd and Even-Numbered Students

Latest Q-Connect Update

Friday, November 17th

Monthly A.R. Goal

November 1st: 24 Points

December 1st: 32 Points

Artist of the Month

Vincent van Gogh