

Miss Hanrahan's Class Newsletter

November 13 – November 17, 2017

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REMINDER

There will be NO SCHOOL Monday, November 20th – Friday, November 24th due to the Thanksgiving Break!

Dear Parents...

It is with a heavy heart that I must share some bad news. Last Wednesday, McKinley lost a dear teacher, colleague, and friend. Ms. Aurora, our bilingual aide, has been part of the McKinley family for over 15 years and will be dearly missed. Our school is collecting coins this week to help her family with medical bills and final arrangements during this very difficult time. Please donate what you can, and thank you in advance.

In other news, students came home last Thursday with several graded tests. As a reminder, the kids may retake any science, social studies, or math test. I require a parent signature, however, and students must also correctly re-answer the questions that they originally missed before I will allow them to retake the test. As always, I encourage students that have questions to come in during their recess for additional support.

Finally, Student Council will be selling "Thanks to You" candy grams for \$1.00 Monday – Thursday before school, at lunch recess, and after school. Say "Thank You" to a teacher, staff member, friend, family member, or classmate! Fill out a thank you card, write a message, and Student Council will deliver the gram (with candy) to classrooms this Friday!

I hope everyone has a relaxing Thanksgiving break, and I will see you Monday, November 27th!

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

In Math, students will complete Topic 7: Dividing by 1-Digit Divisors. Some quotients (answers) will contain remainders, while others will not. Long division can be confusing for many students, so in class we practice using a simple mnemonic device to help us remember all of the steps in order. We say "Dad, Mom, Sister, Brother, Rover," which stands for "Divide, Multiply, Subtract, Bring Down, and Repeat (or "Remainder"). The Topic 7 test will be Friday!

In Social Studies, students will complete Chapter 4: Mexican Rule in California. In this chapter, the students will learn about Mexico's fight for independence from Spain, and the changes that occurred in California under Mexican government. The test for Chapter 4 will be Friday.

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



Spelling Words

Test Date: Friday, November 17th 1. gobble 2. purple 3. remarkable 4. simple 5. single 6. startle 7. struggled 8. wiggled

> Sound/Spelling Skill Patterns: Consonant -le Syllable

Do NOT capitalize spelling words!

<u>Homework</u>

Monday:

Newsletter: Read, sign, and return! Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) & Log Math: 7-3 Using Rounding to Estimate

Tuesday:

Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) & Log Math: 7-4 Using Compatible Numbers to

Estimate

Wednesday:

Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) & Log **Math:** 7-5 Multiple-Step Problems

Thursday:

Language Arts: Read (20+ Minutes) & Log Math: Topic 7 Practice Test pgs.180-181 #1-17

Poem: Even-Numbered Students

Latest Q-Connect Update

Monday, November 13th

Monthly A.R. Goal November 1st: 24 Points December 1st: 32 Points

Artist of the Month Vincent van Gogh

Weekly Poem

(Evens only) Due: Friday, November 17th

Thanksgiving

The pilgrims left England for America's shore, Hoping life in the New World offered them more.

The first year was tough: their crops wouldn't grow! Many men died, and more wanted to go.

But the Native Americans gave them a hand, And helped them survive in their strange new land.

To celebrate the harvest in a remarkable way, They had a great feast: the first Thanksgiving Day.