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MS. SHAW'S CLASS NEWSLETTER #14 WEEK OF: DECEMBER 5™ – DECEMBER 9™

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#### SPECIALS SCHEDULE

Monday: P.E.

Tuesday: Art & P.E.

Thursday: P.E. & Library

Friday: Music & Computers

## SCIENCE/SOCIAL STUDIES

This week, we will review and take our test for Social Studies Chapter 2: Where in the United States is Our Community? Our test will be on Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.

We will begin Social Studies Chapter 3: What is the Geography of Our Community?

# LITERACY THIS WEEK READER'S WORKSHOP

This week in Reader's Workshop, students will use the shared text "Great White Sharks" by R.L. LoRe. To learn how to use the text features found in reference nonfiction to deepen their understanding and appreciation of these texts. Students will also use the text features and paragraph structures of nonfiction reference texts to help them understand and remember information about a variety of topics. Finally, students will use the shared text "John F. Kennedy" to learn how to use the chronological text structure to determine what is important to pay attention to when reading texts filled with many real-world facts.

#### WRITER'S WORKSHOP

This week in Writer's Workshop, students will identify what fascinates them as learners in order to engage in purposeful, informative writing using the mentor text, *Tigress* by Nick Dowson. Students will also recognize the narrative techniques in the literary nonfiction they read and attempt to construct their own literary nonfiction piece. Lastly, students will choose a topic among those collected in their Writer's Notebook and begin to develop it into a published piece.





#### MATH LESSONS THIS WEEK

FUREKA MODULE 3: LESSONS 9, 11, MID-MODULE REVIEW, MID-MODULE 3 ASSESSMENT MODULE 4: LESSON 2

This week, students will model the associative property as a strategy to multiply and interpret the unknown in multiplication and division in order to model and solve problems. We will also review our Mid-Module 3 Study Guide and take the Mid-Module 3 Assessment on Thursday.

On Friday will continue in Module 4 with Lesson 2. In Lesson 2, students will decompose and recompose shapes to compare areas.

#### TEACHER NOTES...

Thank you for your generous classroom donations! We truly appreciate your support of our learning and growth!

Temperatures are dropping!
Please be sure to send your
child to school with
appropriate attire for the
weather.

#### READING TIP ...

Don't be afraid to read the same book more than once!
Repeated reading helps build reading fluency!



### DATES TO REMEMBER

December 6th - Social Studies Chapter 2 Test

**December 7th -** PLC Day Dismissal @ 1:30 p.m.

**December 8**th – Mid-Module 3 Math Assessment

**December 9th –** Bowling "B" @ Palos Lanes 4:00p.m.

**December 13th – Happy Birthday Sarah!** 

**December 14**<sup>th</sup> – Spirit Day (Wear Blue); Hot Dog Day; PFA Board Meeting @ 9:30a.m.: School Board Meeting 7:00p.m.

**December 15**th – Winter Concert @ 7:00p.m.

December 21st - Winter Class Party