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MS. SHAW'S CLASS

NEWSLETTER #17

WEEK OF: JANUARY 9TH – JANUARY 13TH

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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 continue Social Studies Chapter 4: *How Do People Become Part of Our Community?* In this chapter, students will learn how and why immigrants come to the United States. They will also hear the stories of immigrants who have come to the United States.

We will begin our next state research project. This time, students will be researching a southern state. A letter outlining this project will be sent home soon.

LITERACY THIS WEEK

READER'S WORKSHOP

This week we will have our Reading and Language Winter MAP tests. In Reader's Workshop, students will learn how to determine the author's purpose to better understand the content and make inferences about the message. Finally, students will demonstrate their understanding of nonfiction texts by identifying the main idea of a passage, identifying the nonfiction text features within a reference book, and determining the meaning of an unknown word using context clues.

WRITER'S WORKSHOP

This week in Writer's Workshop, students will begin the drafting stage of their nonfiction pieces. Students will explore organizational choices made by the writers of the nonfiction they read and make similar choices in organizing and outlining their own writing. We will then use the mentor text *Bats! Strange and Wonderful* by Laurence Pringle to explore how nonfiction writers use linking words or phrases to help move readers from one idea to the next. Students will reread their own pieces to ensure that their information and ideas are presented clearly and add linking words or phrases as needed.



MATH LESSONS THIS WEEK

EUREKA MODULE 3: LESSONS 20, 21, REVIEW, AND END-OF-MODULE 3 ASSESSMENT
MODULE 4: LESSON 5

On Monday, students will take the Math Winter MAP Test.

This week in math, students will use place value strategies and the associative property to multiply by multiples of 10. Students will also solve two-step word problems involving multiplying single-digit factors and multiples of 10. We will review Module 3 and take the End-of Module 3 Assessment.

On Friday, we will continue with Module 4. In Lesson 5, students will form a rectangle by tiling with unit squares to make arrays.



TEACHER NOTES...

Happy New Year and Welcome Back!



Winter MAP Testing will take place on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week. Please make sure your child gets plenty of rest and brings a healthy snack to school each day.

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 9th -MAP Testing (Math); Happy Birthday Bella! :)

January 10th - MAP Testing (Reading)

January 11th - MAP Testing (Language Arts); PLC Day, 1:30p.m. Dismissal; School Board Meeting @ District Office 7:00p.m.

January 12th - Math End-of-Module 3 Assessment

January 13th - Bowling "B" @ Palos Lanes

January 16th - No School, Martin Luther King Day

January 18th - Spirit Day; Hot Dog Day; PFA Board Meeting @ District Office 9:30a.m.

January 23rd - Happy Birthday Isaac! :)

January 25th - PLC Day 1:30p.m. Dismissal