Dragonfly Diary

Ms. Frens, Lincoln 3rd Grade

No February Birthdays August ½ Birthdays Kaith as 8/12

Kaitlyn: 8/12 Hunter: 8/14 Yaritza: 8/24



"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Monday, 2/6

- Library
- Math and Spelling homework goes home

Tuesday, 2/7

Spanish / Music

Wednesday, 2/8

PE

Thursday, 2/9

- Art / Music
- Spelling Homework due

Friday, 2/10

- PE
- Spelling Test: Lesson 17
- Retelling due

February 6, 2012

Once again, this week flew by! The big news is that we jumped into multiplication! We started with the count-by 5s and noticed quite a few patterns. Many students saw that the <u>product</u> (or answer) of any number multiplied by 5s always contains a <u>zero</u> or a <u>five</u> in the ones place. In fact, when an even number is the other <u>factor</u> then there is a zero in the ones place, and when an odd number is the other factor then there is a five in the ones place. Great detective work! Please have students practice their multiplication fact sheets at least 6 times each before signing the homework helper section.

We enjoyed, but also were moved by the movie, "Ruby Bridges" on Friday as a reward for filling our marble jar. We discussed how we all have a choice even when it's not popular to treat others with respect. We look forward to filling the jar again. Thanks for your continuing support!

Reading

We began a new reading rotation during Reader's Workshop that includes "Fluency Friends." This is how we practice fluency: Friendship: During small group time, here is one way that I can be sure that I and others have a partner.

Writing

Here is one tip for writing effective paragraphs that I will be practicing this week:

Spelling: The focus this week is on contractions (a combination of two or more words with an apostrophe replacing a letter or letters). Look for Word

Preview and Words to Learn coming home on Monday.

Social Studies: We started constructing a "living timeline" of Michigan from the time after the glaciers melted to when the 3 Tribes settled here that eventually will continue to the settlers and beyond.

<u>Math</u>: When we introduced multiplication, we noticed how it was the inverse of division. We made some flashcards that reflect this relationship.

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Theme Basket: The number of items in our Dad's Day Off Basket continues to grow. So thank you for the contributions. Keep those items coming our way! Any little bit helps! Valentine's Day: I'm including the Valentine's list again as your child may be continuing to prepare for the party. This week, we will be making the Valentines to deliver to some of the residents of the Heritage Nursing Care facility on Valentine's Day. RTI: Response to Intervention continues this week. Students will once again mix with other 3rd grade classes for targeted instruction on one of the following: subtraction fluency, multiplication and writing skills. The multiplication and writing groups will switch halfway through. Officer Rachel: We had our first visit from Officer Rachel on Thursday. She told us about herself and what it means to be a police officer. She explained the difference between rules and laws. It was great to be able to spend more time with her, since we usually see her around the building. She will be visiting us on Thursdays for 2 more weeks.

Ms. Frens' Valentine's Lists

Name	
Alissa	girl
Hunter	boy
Jillian	girl
Olivia	girl
Austin	boy
Cora	girl
Jason	boy
Zach	boy
Ella	girl
Bethany	girl
Anibal	boy
Ellie	girl
Katie	girl
Trenton K	boy
Trenton L	boy
Evelyn	girl
Emmett	boy
Sydnee	girl
Scout	girl
Yaritza	girl
Nathan	boy
Tanner	boy
Kaitlyn	girl
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Teacher	
Mrs. Behrens	library
Ms. Butler	art
Mr. Davelaar	PE
Mrs. Perna	music
Ms. Zomeraand	Spanish
Mr. VanDam	custodian
Mrs. VandenBeldt	secretary
Mrs. Johnson	secretary
Mr. DeGraaf	principal
Mrs. VandenBosch	lunch lady
Mrs. Hooker	reading
Mrs. Funk	English