

# Dragonfly Diary

## March Birthdays

Zach: 3/1

Alissa: 3/9



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I was very proud of the students this week, because they really worked on being more aware of creating a quiet environment during independent work time. Many students commented on how much more thinking and work they were able to accomplish when people were making good choices.

Because of the fog delay on Friday, I was not able to complete the evaluations before the end of the day, so they will go home on Monday. It was fun to see some of you at Lincoln Fun Night on Friday!

I forgot to mention last week, that our "Trading Day" was not only fun, but a reminder of how the French and the tribes interacted before the British came to Michigan. Thanks again for all of your support!

*Ms. Frens*

### Reading

One of the most surprising parts about the book we're reading for lit circles, Freckle Juice by Judy Blume, is:

**Friendship:** One of my favorite parts about lit circles is:

### Writing

Here is one way that I can make sure my writing is "show, not tell."

**Spelling:** Unit 22 test is on Friday. The focus is on words that drop a letter before adding the **-ing suffix** (live, living).

**Social Studies:** This week, we learned that there are many causes and effects that have shaped our lives today. When the French clashed with the British over the fur trade, it led to the French and Indian War (French and Indian on the same side), which has implications for the Revolutionary War. **Math:** We are wrapping up our unit on area and perimeter. There are practical applications for calculating these. Please review the formulas as some students need to practice stating the difference. Please have your child continue to practice his or her **multiplication facts!**

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**Lansing Field Trip:** If you have not returned the slip with your child's lunch choice for our field trip, your child will need to bring a sack lunch as we have to pre-order the sack lunches before we go, **NOT** on the day of the trip. Again, Wednesday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, we will be going to Lansing to visit our state capitol! Your child will need to be at school no later than 7:45 a.m.! **Memoirs:** Thank you for helping to revise your child's memoir. The students are rallying to make their writing even more memorable! We appreciate anyone who is willing to publish your child's memoir to KidBlog, <http://kidblog.org>, your child knows how to log in: **username:** Student ID + initials **password:** birthday **XtraMath:** Please have your child get on this website as regularly as possible if you have access to an internet connection. **March Book Orders:** They will be due on **Friday, March 23, 2012.** **Checks:** Payable to **Scholastic.** **Cash:** Exact change. **Online:** @ [www.scholastic.com](http://www.scholastic.com) with Class Activation Code: **FWV2G** Your orders help us earn FREE books!! We LOVE books!

"We are what we repeatedly do; excellence, then, is not an act but a habit." -Aristotle

### Monday, 3/19

- Library
- Mrs. Raterink comes to visit

### Tuesday, 3/20

- Spanish / Music
- Evaluations due

### Wednesday, 3/21

- PE

### Thursday, 3/22

- Art / Music
- Math Test: Unit 8
- Family Reading Night  
7:00-7:30 p.m.

### Friday, 3/23

- PE
- Spelling Test: Unit 22
- Scholastic Book orders due