

Dragonfly Diary

April Birthday

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Ms. Frens, Lincoln 3rd Grade

April 23, 2012

More people are finishing up their 0-10 multiplication fast facts on our speed tests! Congratulations to Jillian, Evelyn, Trenton L and Hunter for joining Alissa, Jason, Katie and Nathan. On XtraMath, Jason, completed the multiplication section!! Way to go! After the math test on Friday, we're off to study fractions! Students with a good handle on their math facts will save time when calculating fraction problems.

On Friday, we started the process of making paper maché globes as we started our Plant and Animal Adaptation unit. Each student will be choosing a plant and animal to research their adaptations to their habitat. We will locate those habitats on the globes the students are making. We also remembered Earth Day.

Thank you once again, for your support!!

Ms. Frens

Reading

We discussed theme this week. A theme is a lesson that is revealed in a narrative or story. We support the theme by giving evidence from text. Evidence includes story details or "lifting a line." When we read The Empty Pot, the theme was _____, because . . .

Writing

We've been doing some "quick writes" in response to the themes that are revealed in the stories we've been reading in class. Here is the topic of one of my quick writes:

Spelling: The focus this week is on compound words (break + fast = breakfast.). **Science:** We will be studying plant and animal adaptations. An adaptation is a strategy that helps a living thing survive its habitat. **Math:** We're starting the almighty FRACTION unit this week.

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XtraMath: Congratulations to Jason, the first person to pass Multiplication!! Way to go! Who will be next? **Skating Party!** Hope you can make it on Tuesday, April 24 from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Family Roller Rink. It's the 3rd-5th grade skating party for Lincoln students! **Book Fair:** Wednesday, April 25 from 3:10-3:40 pm, our class will be going to the book fair. If you plan to send money, please send it in a ziplock baggie with your child's name and the amount clearly marked on it. I will collect these in the morning and redistribute them at the time of the fair. **April Book Orders:** Once again, this is our FINAL book order of the year! Orders will be due on **Friday, April 27, 2012. Checks:** Payable to **Scholastic. Cash:** Exact change. **Online:** Class Activation Code: **FWV2G**

Platinum by Tanner

- Platinum looks like a piece of metal.
- Platinum smells new like from a factory.
- Platinum feels smooth like a desk.
- Platinum sounds loud like metal crashing.
- Platinum tastes like ice cream when it freezes on your teeth.

"Happiness does not depend on outward things, but on the way we see them." –**Leo Tolstoy**

Monday, 4/23

- No Library (Book Fair Wed.)

Tuesday, 4/24

- Spanish / Music
- Evaluations due
- Roller Skating Party @ Family Roller Rink 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 4/25

- PE
- Book Fair: 3:10-3:40 p.m.

Thursday, 4/26

- Art / Music
- Spelling Due

Friday, 4/27

- PE
- Retelling due
- Spelling Test: Unit 25
- Scholastic Book Orders Due (Final order of the year)