



A PEEK AT OUR WEEK!

Week of January 6, 2020

Important Reminders/Information: * Happy New Year! I hope you had a chance to spend these past two weeks with friends and family. 2020 is a big year for your fifth graders! They will be starting middle school in the fall. With that being said, it is extremely important that we continue to work together to prepare them as much as possible for the remainder of their year at Rainbow. Checking homework on a daily basis, making sure they are reading, and contacting me with any questions or concerns are some ways to keep them on track for a successful remainder of their fifth-grade year. * This Thursday (January 9th), La'Shiyah will be participating in the district spelling bee! We are so proud of her and know she will do great! * When the temperature is below freezing, we will not be going out to recess. However, there will be some days that we do go out. I always tell the students to be prepared just in case! Hats, gloves, scarves, etc. are a good idea.

Reading Workshop: We are kicking off the new year in reading with an in-depth look at using textual evidence in fiction and nonfiction passage. This week we will work on citing with direction quotations, citing with paraphrasing, using in-text citations to answer questions with answers directly stated in the text, and answering questions by citing texts to prove their inferences. As you can see, we are doing a ton with textual evidence. 😊

Grammar: This week the students will review some important rules when using capitals and commas. They will not review these rules with me, they will then have to transfer that knowledge to their own writing. This is something that the students need a lot of work with based on what I observe on a daily basis in class.

Science: The students in fifth grade have been working with the fifth-grade teachers on their group science fair projects. The topics range from whether your environment affects concentration to which brand of paper towel absorbs the best. Your child MAY be working with me, but most likely they are with another teacher. Ask your child about it today!

Mathematics: We are going to continue exploring fractions but are jumping ahead to Unit 5. This week we will review finding common denominators. We will also review adding and subtracting mixed numbers with like and unlike denominators. As Unit 5 progresses, we will then get into dividing and multiplying fractions. Please keep an eye out for the Unit 5 family letter. It should be coming home in your child's homework folder this week. It is also important to note that not all homework I assign is directly from Everyday Math. I create homework assignments based on individual student needs. Therefore, the Everyday Math homework is not always appropriate for every student in the class. If you have questions about this, please do not hesitate to ask!



Miss Mathisen's Class



Happy Birthday!

January 8th: David

The Student of the Week is:
No one this week 😊

This week's special schedule...

Monday (Day 6): Art

Tuesday (Day 1): Music

Wednesday (Day 2): Art

Thursday (Day 3): Library

Friday (Day 4): P.E.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT RAINBOW

January 9th: District Spelling Bee

January 10th: PTO Family Movie Night

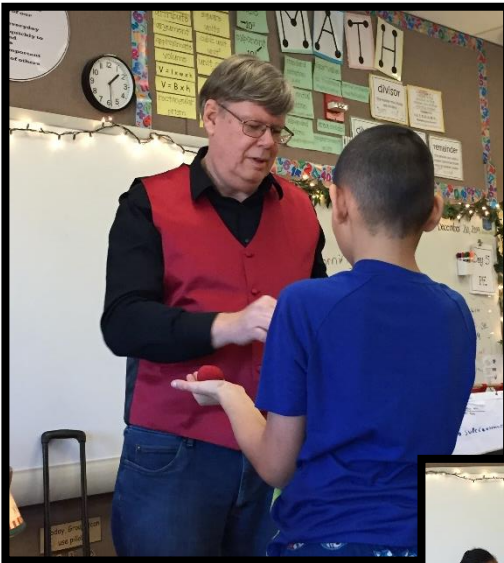
January 15th: Science Fair (come and check it out)

January 20th: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service
(NO SCHOOL)

January 22nd: Variety Show Auditions (3:45-5:45 PM)

January 25th: District Science Fair (9:30 AM)

January 31st: Dress Down Day: Wacky Tacky Day!



We had a wonderful time the Friday before our winter break. We had a delicious breakfast (thank you to everyone who contributed something). We even had a special performance by The Great Dondini!



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