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Weekly Gazette

~Room 17 Chooses Kind~



Weekly Greeting

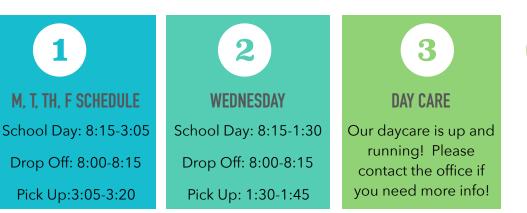
Happy Monday everyone! May kicks off a very busy and exciting time in the fourth grade! CAASPP testing begins next week and students are ready and prepared! Our testing window will be Tuesday-Thursday, May 7th-9th for our ELA exam and May 14th-16th for Math. Parents often ask what they can do to help prepare their child for CAASPP. At home, students should get a good night of sleep and have a hearty breakfast each morning. Arriving to school on time also helps reduce stress for your child. We have gum here at school (used as a tool to help students focus) and we will also provide a healthy snack (sign-up linked today!



Monday, April 29th: GPA Read-A-Thon begins



Thursday, May 9th: 4th Grade Open House 5-6 PM





Thursday, May 9th: Talent Show Auditions

Gold Rush Unit Begins

This week, the time traveling cupboard opens to reveal Ms. Clementine, a teacher from the gold rush era. It's so odd how these visitors always look a little like Mrs. Brown (wink wink)! She will help students learn all about life in 1849. Students will earn gold in class for being on task, participating in Gold Rush lessons, and more. Each student will come up with their own gold rush name, "time-travel" with Ms. Clementine, decide how they would travel to the gold fields and more. It's an exciting time and a perfect lead up to our Gold Rush overnight at the end of May!

Important Dates

It's that time if year again where school is busy and filled with exciting events. Please take a moment to review page 3 of this newsletter and pencil in important dates on your calendar. We've got talent show auditions (flyers with information home Monday), a Gold Rush chaperone meeting, the Gold Rush play and more!

Spring Concert

The annual 4th and 5th grade spring concert is scheduled for Monday, May 13th at 5:00 PM. Students should arrive at 4:45 in spring attire. Both the choir and band will perform. Students who play an instrument should remember to bring it as well as their music books. Hope to see you there!



CAASPP Snack Sign-Up

One way I like to help students feel prepared for CAASPP testing next week and the following week is to provide a hearty snack right before the exam. If you are interested/able to send in a healthy treat for 26 students, that would be so appreciated. I've linked a sign-up to the bottom of the newsletter.

Gold Dust or Bust Play

On Wednesday, May 22nd, students will be performing a play for the school called Gold Dust or Bust, all about the California Gold Rush! Parents are invited to attend! There will be two show times to choose from (please pick just one to accommodate room for all families/ students). The first show will run from 9-10 AM in the MPR. The second show will run from 10:40-11:40, also in the MPR. Students should dress in a gold rush costume (bonnets, calico dresses, bandanas, jeans, etc). The costumes can also be worn at Gold Rush Day in June.

Important Dates

Monday, April 29th: GPA Read-a-Thon begins

Tuesday, May 7th-Thursday, May 9th: ELA CAASPP Testing

Thursday, May 9th: 4th Grade Open House

Thursday and Friday, May 9th and 10th: Talent Show Auditions (flyer coming home soon)

Monday, May 13th: Spring Concert 5:00 PM-Hillcrest Hall

Tuesday-Thursday, May 14th-16th: Math CAASPP Testing

Thursday, May 16th: Gold Rush Parent Chaperone Meeting-5:00 PM

Friday, May 17th: Final Business Day

Wednesday, May 22nd: Gold Rush Play 9-10 (Cast A) and 10:40-11:40 (Cast B)

Friday, May 24th-Monday, May 27th: No School-Memorial Day

Tuesday-Thursday, May 28th-30th: Tour Through Gold Country Overnight

Friday, May 31st: Talent Show Rehearsal

Tuesday, June 4th: Gold Rush Day-8:30-10:30-Parent Volunteers Needed

Wednesday, June 5th: Talent Show 9:00-10:00 AM

Thursday, June 6th: Field Day

Friday, June 7th: Last Day of School