

Weekly Gazette

~Room 17 Chooses Kind~



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Weekly Greeting

Happy Monday! I hope everyone had a lovely weekend. From the sound of it, Saturday and Sunday were both packed with birthday parties, baseball and softball games, family reunions and more. This week, we continue to delve into Fort Ross history. Students will learn more about what life was like during the fort's operation, including how cultures intersected, traded, and more. Our main projects this week will be painting wooden spoons and eggs in the traditional Russian style. Students will also continue learning Russian, practice dancing the troika (how fun!!), and meet in their activity groups to work on specific projects relative to their role.



Tuesday, April 23rd:
Fort Ross Project
Due



Wednesday, April
24th: Fort Ross Day
Trip: 8:15-5:30 PM

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M, T, TH, F SCHEDULE

School Day: 8:15-3:05
Drop Off: 8:00-8:15
Pick Up: 3:05-3:20

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WEDNESDAY

School Day: 8:15-1:30
Drop Off: 8:00-8:15
Pick Up: 1:30-1:45

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DAY CARE

Our daycare is up and running! Please contact the office if you need more info!

Dates, Dates, and More Dates

Deep breaths...April and May are those two spring months where things just seem to get busier than usual! From here on out, I will be including an "Important Dates" page to our newsletter, adding events as I become aware of them. See the next page for the dates I have on the calendar thus far! Don't hesitate to reach out with questions. Specific information about each upcoming event will be included in the newsletter as necessary.

Fort Ross Project For This Week

Today, I reviewed the "your choice" activities that students can pick from for their projects. As a reminder, they should be working on three of these activities this week. Examples are hanging up in the classroom for students to reference. Some of the "your choice" projects will need to be completed at home (such as learning a Russian song on an instrument or making Russian style pancakes). We are continuing to work on Project 8 in class. Pictures are also attached to this newsletter.

Gold Dust or Bust

As I'm sure you've heard, students are busy rehearsing for their grand theatrical debut! Our class will be putting on two musical shows in May all about the California Gold Rush! Students are learning songs, have auditioned and been assigned parts, and more. They're so excited and the show is shaping up to be pretty amazing. More information about costumes and show times coming soon. Stay tuned!



CAASPP Testing

Mark your calendar: Our class will be CAASPP testing on the following dates:

May 7th-May 9th: ELA CAASPP Testing

May 14th-May 16th: Math CAASPP Testing

A sign-up for snacks for the kiddos will be coming your way later this month.

WHAT ARE WE WORKING ON THIS WEEK IN CLASS?

1. **ELA:** This week, we will focus our reading on Fort Ross' historical curriculum
2. **Math:** We continue our geometry unit this week and start "Math Town!"
3. **Social Studies:** Fort Ross Continues
4. **Homework:** Read 20 minutes, math, Three Fort Ross "your choice" projects

Fort Ross Project Example: Your choice Projects

PICK 4 Activities

#3. Company Scrip

1 RUBLE	5 RUBLES	10 RUBLES	25 KOPES	50 KOPES
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- 3x5 INCHES
- DESIGN ON BOTH SIDES

#4. Russian Pancakes *...yum!*

- REWRITE RECIPE
- WRITE A PARAGRAPH DESCRIBING MYTH
- FAMILY MEMBER REVIEW
- MAKE ORIGINAL RECIPE
- TAKE PHOTOS OF COOKING PROCESS

#5. Cartoon Strip

- 6 Frames long
- TWO PEOPLE TALKING IN EACH FRAME
- COLOR
- TRANSLATE RUSSIAN

#10. Design New Flag

R.A.C.

8 1/2 x 11

- COLOR
- DESIGN
- PARAGRAPH EXPLAINING WHAT FLAG REPRESENTS

#11. 2 PAGE Report - Offers

- PICTURE - HAND DRAWN
- LIST 2 PLACES YOU GOT INFO FROM

#12. Poetry

Fort Ross
 Sound of the Sea
 Fort Ross
 A place I long
 to be
 ...

- PICTURE

#13. Music

- SING OR PLAY RUSSIAN SONG FOR CLASS
- MUST KNOW NAME OF PIECE, COMPOSER, + WHEN IT WAS WRITTEN

#14. Russian Alphabet

- Write letters out
- Copy 3 Proverbs COLOR THE TOP

Important Dates

Friday, April 12th: Business Day/Fort Ross Donation Due-60\$

Tuesday, April 23rd: Fort Ross Project Due/Presentations for 3rd Graders

Tuesday-Thursday, April 23rd-25th: Book Fair 4:30-6:30 PM

Wednesday, April 24th: Fort Ross Day Trip-8:15-5:30 PM

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

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
