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Weekly Gazette

~Room 17 Chooses Kind~



Weekly Greeting

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a lovely holiday break. I can't wait to hear all about trips to visit grandparents, delicious holiday dinners, and presents under the tree. Our holiday donation of dog blankets was so appreciated at Compassion Without Borders. We had over 75 people in attendance from all three 4th grade classes! WOW! That's the biggest turn out yet! It was great to have so many families able to attend! Thank you for making that project happen! We kick off the New Year with many many things to look forward to, especially our overnight trips! YAHOO!!! Cheers to a wonderful 2024!





Monday, January 15th: No School-MLK Day



Thursday, January 25th: Sonoma Mission/ General Vallejo's Home Field Trip-4 \$ donation due (more info in newsletter)



Thursday, February 15th: Clem Miller Parent Chaperone Meeting-5:00-6:00 PM-

Sonoma Mission/General Vallejo's Field Trip Donation

Our upcoming field trip to Sonoma Mission and General Vallejo's home takes place on Thursday, January 25th. All permission slips were filled out and collected earlier this year. A form is coming home this week asking for a 4\$ donation for the trip to cover the cost of the docents running the programs. This 4\$ donation also covers our upcoming field trip in February to Petaluma Adobe.

Cash or check (made out to GUSD) works great. I'd like to collect all donations by Friday, January 19th. *Many families have paid in full for the 4th grade field trips this year, so no donation form will come home if that applies to you.* Thanks in advance!

Chaperone Meeting Dates

Mark your calendars parent chaperones! We will have pre-field trip meetings on the following dates:

WHAT ARE WE WORKING ON THIS WEEK IN CLASS?



Clem Miller Parent Chaperone Meeting: Thursday, February 15th at 5:00 PM

Fort Ross Parent Chaperone Meeting: Thursday, April 4th at 5:00 PM

Tour Through Gold Country Chaperone Meeting: Thursday, May 16th at 5:00 PM

Please make sure all chaperone field trip requirements have been submitted to the office if you received notice that an item was missing last month. I'll do my final check for chaperone clearance on January 19th. Thanks!

- 1. **ELA:** This week, students will read a story called Voices From Ellis Island from our ELA anthology. This selection is about the many immigrants who passed through Ellis Island during the immigration process
- 2. **Math:** This week, students begin chapter 7 in class (we are moving right along and I'm so proud of the students for all their hard work and effort)! Chapter 7 focuses on adding/subtracting fractions.
- 3. **Science:** This week, we will pause in our Science unit in anticipation of our upcoming Clem Miller Animal and Plant Research Projects
- 4. **Social Studies:** This week, we begin looking at Spanish exploration in California. Our field trip later this month to the Sonoma Mission will support student understanding of the concepts covered.
- **5. Homework:** This week, students will read for 20 minutes, complete their math homework, complete their ELA packet, and complete nightly spelling activities to support this week's spelling test.