



# FRIDGE NOTES

## Mrs. McBride's Class Family

October 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>

Our class will shop at the Book Fair this Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:10-11:40. You may send money to school with your child, or join us in the media center during our scheduled shopping time. Unfortunately, I will be out of the classroom at a teacher training, so I won't get to shop with the kiddos. But I DID see a lot of high-quality books by some of my favorite children's authors, so I am very excited! I love adding to our classroom library!

Remember, this Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> is our field trip to the ballet to see *Snow White*! We are looking forward to seeing all our students dressed-up in their nicest outfits! **An informational sheet went home Friday about the performance. It is assumed that all students will be attending the field trip (no permission slip necessary). If your child will NOT be attending, please let me know.**

Congratulations to last week's Principal's Award winner, Preston!

### Important Dates

Monday, October 14-  
Book Fair 11:10-11:40

Friday, October 18-  
Ballet Field Trip

### Reading

This week in reading we will continue to read informational texts and look for the main topic or focus. We will also learn about homophones. These are words that sound the same, but have different spellings and meanings (dear/deer, right/write, etc.). Our phonics skill will be double consonants and ck, like in the words stuff, buzz, clock and tell.

### Writing

This week we will focus on identifying proper nouns and making sure we give them capital letters in our writing. As you read with your child at home, point out examples of proper nouns and explain why the author capitalized them.

This week we will also continue editing our narrative stories to prepare for publishing!

### Math

We will continue our unit on addition and subtraction strategies this week. Students will work on finding sums by making 10. This concept of "ten-ness" is particularly important and will be emphasized throughout the year. Students who have memorized the addend pairs that equal ten (1+9, 2+8, 3+7, etc.) have a much easier time when we begin adding larger numbers later on. These facts, along with doubles facts (same addends, ex: 2+2), are the most important facts to be focusing on at home.

### Science & Social Studies

We will begin the week finishing up our science unit on weather.

Later in the week, we will begin a new unit in social studies on mapping skills. The students will be making flip books showing where they are on a map at the world, country, state and city levels. Try pulling out some maps at home and comparing the sizes of continents, countries, states and cities to help your child become more familiar with the differences.