



FRIDGE NOTES

Mrs. McBride's Class Family

January 20th – January 24th

Curriculum Night is this Thursday, January 23rd from 6:00-8:00. Parents can attend different sessions on important school-related topics while their children "Cuddle Up with a Book" in the Media Center. A form went home last Tuesday about pre-ordering Chick-Fil-A so that you can make it a family night out. I hope to see you there!

This Friday, January 24th is our field trip to Sea World! We will leave around 9:30 and return around 1:30. Please send your child to school wearing sunscreen and sneakers. **We are asking that all the students wear their Bay Meadows shirts, or the colors blue and white.** We will eat a late lunch when we return, but will be providing a small snack for the students at Sea World. **Please do NOT send your child with any spending money or cameras.** We will not be visiting any gift shops and I promise to take lots of pictures! 😊

Friday, January 24th is also report card day! If you have any questions or concerns about your child's grades, please do not hesitate to schedule a conference.

Important Dates

- Monday, January 20th-
MLK Day/NO SCHOOL
- Thursday, January 23rd-
Curriculum Night 6:00-8:00
- Friday, January 24th-
Sea World Field Trip

Reading

This week we will work on identifying cause-and-effect relationships in a piece of literature. Deciding which event is the cause and which event is the effect can be difficult. As you are looking for these relationships at home, remind your child that the cause is WHY something happened and the effect is WHAT happened. This week we will also revisit character traits and compare/contrast how the 2 main characters react to challenges in the story.

Our phonics skills will be compound words and words with the schwa vowel sound (along, happen, dragon). A schwa sound occurs in 2 syllable words where one syllable is softer and the vowel doesn't make the long sound **or** the short sound.

Writing

This week we will learn about abbreviations. We will practice abbreviating days of the week, months, addresses and names. We will also continue working on compound sentences and quotation marks.

Math

We are wrapping up our unit on 3-digit addition and subtraction. We will start the week with one of the trickiest regrouping concepts: regrouping zeroes. Then, we will review on Wednesday and test on Thursday. Please remind your child of the importance of showing work and double checking answers. The students are all very knowledgeable about the steps for adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers, but I'm still noticing small errors in basic math facts. And when it comes to multistep problems, being off by just one number can really mess things up!

Science & Social Studies

This week we will learn about Martin Luther King, Jr. and his important and lasting contributions to our country.