

JANUARY 17TH, 2020

THE SCOOP

MRS. BISHOP'S NEWSLETTER



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

IMPORTANT DATES

JANUARY 20
NO SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 13
I <3 MATH & SCIENCE
NIGHT

Hello Parents! I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays, and that 2020 is showing up with good vibes for all.

Shout Outs

Mr. Hines - I wanted to shout out one of our amazing custodians, Travis Hines. Our trailer toilet has been broken for quite some time with a work order being processed, also, for quite some time. Mr. Hines took it upon himself to go to Lowes for the missing piece and fix the handle. So, if you see him, please give him a shoutout! :)

Mrs. Dahl - I want to thank her again for helping us through the process of creating our wall murals. She has volunteered a lot of her time to help us paint, and we are putting the finishing touches on next Friday. I will send pictures when we are all finished.

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What We're Working On...

Math:

- Decimals:
- Writing decimals with tenths and hundredths
- Understanding decimal place value
- Comparing decimals using:
 - number lines
 - decimal grids
 - relationship to money

ELA:

We are learning about the American Revolution this quarter in ELA - specifically, perspectives of the people involved in the American Revolution. We read our anchor text "Colonial Voices: Hear Them Speak," which exposed students to a number of characters with varying perspectives through the eyes of an errand boy delivering a secret notice to The Sons of Liberty before the Boston Tea Party. We have been learning about who the Loyalists and Patriots were and what they believed in, as well as those who had other perspectives, including Native Americans and African American slaves. We are reading a number of informational passages as well.

This is the first time many 4th graders are exposed to the topic, and they can have a tough time wrapping their heads around the history without the background knowledge to help. They will probably come home with many questions and opinions from this unit as they learn about injustices and varying perspectives. I encourage you to keep an open dialogue with your child on topics we are learning about. It is so much fun to watch them go from resistance of an unknown topic, to passionate, opinionated, curious historians. :)



CLASSROOM WISHLIST

- Bird seed
- Disinfectant spray
- Air fresheners

"IT IS ONLY WITH THE HEART THAT ONE CAN SEE RIGHTLY; WHAT IS ESSENTIAL IS INVISIBLE TO THE EYE"

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry