

Greetings, Room 13 Families!

Happy belated Valentine's Day and Happy Presidents Day! I hope you are enjoying the long weekend. Here's a quick update for the week of 2/10-2/13.

Valentine's Celebration: A huge thanks to Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Norton, Mrs. Eggleston, and Mrs. Sandman who helped plan for and/or lead the Valentine's celebration. It sounded like it went very smoothly. I can't wait to hear the students' updates when we see each other on Wednesday. I was sad to miss the opportunity to celebrate with the First Grade sweethearts, but I really enjoyed spoiling my own kiddos.

Buyback Day: This Tuesday, the LCUSD 1st grade teachers will be meeting to create the 3rd and 4th quarter benchmark assessments and performance tasks for language arts. Enjoy one more day off!

Monthly Oral Presentations: Over the past week, we heard about topics such as Valentine's Day, bubble art, crayon hearts, dragons, and the Titanic from Haven, Isaac, Isabel, Jack, Katherine, and Maeve. This week, Max, Marcelo, and Mia are scheduled for Wednesday and Nathan, Sophia B, Sophia S, and Tait are scheduled for Friday. See the class website <http://firstgradewithmrsbeyer.weebly.com/> for the schedule and details.

Volunteer Opportunities: Check out the volunteer sign-ups at <https://mrsbeyersfirstgrade201314.shutterfly.com/>. It's always nice to have a spare set of hands! A big thanks to those who have come in. You help me get so much more accomplished!

Language arts: This week, we learned that the long e sound can be spelled using ee (sweet), ea (sea), y (happy), and ie (chief and puppies). We continued our study of adjectives, and we discussed main ideas and details. We read many Valentine-themed books, and we planned, drafted, revised, and edited a writing piece about something we love.

Math: We used known addition facts to make subtraction easier. We found data on a table to help solve problems. We also practiced finding members of fact families up to 20.

Science/Social Studies: We followed former PCR student Kate Hansen's Olympic progress. We read about the modern Olympics and saw a video comparing the modern Olympics to the ancient Olympics.

Specials: This week, Mrs. Pahk read us a book and helped us choose some good books to bring home. Mrs. Choi led us through a "doodle" that we embellished using water colors. Mrs. Carr took the students to the computer lab and music room.

Important dates:

-Friday, Feb. 14 – Monday, Feb. 17: PRESIDENTS' DAY WEEKEND; NO SCHOOL

-Tuesday, Feb. 18: TEACHER BUY-BACK DAY; NO SCHOOL

-Tuesday, Feb. 25: Site Council Meeting (3:15)

-Thursday, Feb. 27: Dads' Committee Meeting (7:00pm, MPR)

As always, contact me with any questions.

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