

Greetings, Room 13 Families!

I hope you had a fantastic long weekend! Here's a quick update for the week of 2/17-2/21.

Monthly Oral Presentations: This week's topics ranged from the solar system to dental health to Dr. Seuss. Great job, Isaac, Kelsey, and Marcelo! Nathan, Sophia B, Sophia S, and Tait are scheduled for tomorrow (2/21). See <http://firstgradewithmrsbeyer.weebly.com/> for the presentation schedule and details.

Volunteer Opportunities: Check out the volunteer sign-ups at <https://mrsbeversfirstgrade201314.shutterfly.com/>. There's only one more week to volunteer in February. The March calendar will be up soon.

Language arts: During this short week, we practiced long vowel sounds followed by r (fire, deer, tore, care, etc.). Some long vowel sounds still make their usual sounds, but some change just a bit when followed by r. Readers need to be ready to try a few different vowel sounds to read the correct word. We continued finding the main idea and supporting details in an article.

Math: We used our knowledge of the relationship between addition and subtraction to find unknown addends in a number sentence (i.e. $7 + ? = 10$, $10 - 7 = 3$). Tomorrow we will find multiple ways to "make" a number (i.e. 12 can be made as $3+9$, $14-2$, $6+3+3$, etc.)

Science/Social Studies: We read several nonfiction books about George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. We did a fact sort, deciding if a certain fact was about Washington or Lincoln. Tomorrow we will use our art skills to draw each historical figure.

Specials: Because of the short week, we missed our session with Mrs. Pahk. We will see her again on Monday, so make sure your student's library book is ready to go. At the computer lab, Mrs. Bentz helped us add pages to our weather book. Mr. Wulff helped us practice a 3-beat pattern on the metronome, and he reviewed songs with us, including "Listen to the Water."

Important dates:

- Tuesday, Feb. 25: Site Council Meeting (3:15)
- Thursday, Feb. 27: Dads' Committee Meeting (7:00pm, MPR)
- Friday, Mar. 7: Collaboration Day, (8:10-12:50), Dr. Seuss Breakfast
- Thursday, Mar. 13: Early Release (11:35), Open House (6:30)
- Saturday, Mar. 15: LCFEF Spring Gala (6:00pm, Langham Huntington Hotel)
- Friday, Mar. 21: Collaboration Day (8:10-12:50), Spirit Rally(9:35, Lower Playground)
- Tuesday, Mar. 25: Spring Picture Day, Site Council Meeting (3:15)
- Thursday, Mar. 27: Dads' Committee Meeting (7:00pm, MPR)
- Monday-Friday, Mar.31-Apr. 4: Spring Break (No school)

As always, contact me with any questions.

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