

Greetings, Room 13 Families!

I hope you are all doing well and staying dry. Here's a quick update for the week of 2/24-2/28.

Incoming Forms: You received a few important forms in the golden folder today. Please make sure to complete and return the field trip permission slip to see the 6th graders perform at Lanterman Auditorium on March 11. Also, if you choose to purchase your child's art card, please return those order forms by March 14. Either way, please return the original piece of artwork to me. Mrs. Choi would like to put it in your child's art portfolio. I promise that you will get it back at the end of the year.

Leprechaun Traps: Hopefully your child has had some time to start planning their leprechaun traps. I wanted to emphasize that creativity is welcome. There is a sample sketch of a trap on the handout...do not feel like your child's trap must look like this one. To catch a leprechaun, one must be clever! Have fun! The projects are due on March 10.

Monthly Oral Presentations: This week, we heard about cellos, money, air pressure, Pinewood Derby cars, and art. Great job, Sophia S., Sophia B., Tait, Max, and Mia B.! The next round of presentations is right around the corner...Ainsley, Amanda, and Benny are scheduled to present on Wednesday, March 5. See <http://firstgradewithmrsbeyer.weebly.com/> for the presentation schedule and details.

Volunteer Opportunities: With Open House right around the corner, we are in prime project time. If you have some free time and would like to help out, sign up at <https://mrsbeyersfirstgrade201314.shutterfly.com/>. The March calendar will be up soon (hopefully by tomorrow).

Language arts: This week, we practiced the long i vowel sound spelled with -y or -ie (such as fly and skies). The oe vowel team makes the long o sound, as in Joe. We practiced finding the verbs (action words) in sentences.

Math: We "followed a rule" to complete rule tables with numbers up to 20. We started our unit on money. Students identified the name, value, and features on each coin. We also found the total value of a group of coins.

Science/Social Studies: Continuing our patriotic theme, this week we talked about American symbols. We focused on the American flag and the bald eagle. Tomorrow we will learn about the Statue of Liberty.

Specials: At the library, Mrs. Pakh shared Bats at the Ballgame with us. We wrapped up our weather books with Mrs. Bentz. Mr. Wulff accompanied us on "I'm Going to Mail Myself to You" and "Listen to the Water."

Important dates:

-Tuesday, Mar. 4: Dine-Out at New Moon (11:00-3:30 and 5:00-9:00)

-Wednesday, Mar.5: PTA Meeting (9:15, MPR)

-Friday, Mar. 7: Collaboration Day, (8:10-12:50), Dr. Seuss Breakfast

- Sunday, Mar. 9: Daylight Savings Time begins
- Monday, Mar.10: Leprechaun traps due
- Thursday, Mar. 13: Early Release (11:35), Open House (6:30)
- Friday, Mar.14: Kids Art Cards order deadline
- 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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