Greetings, Room 13 Families!

Happy Thursday! Here is a quick update for the week of 4/21-4/25.

<u>First Grade Spring Concert</u>: The big show is tomorrow! Come listen to us perform the songs that we have been working on all year long! The concert will be in the MPR from 10:00-10:30. Please help your child pick out a white top and dark bottoms.

<u>Lunch on the Lawn</u>: Join us for lunch al fresco tomorrow on the lawn behind the first grade wing beginning at 11:30. If you can't make it, let me know. I'd be happy to adopt a few panthers for lunch.

Monthly Oral Presentations: This past week, Kelsey, Katherine, Maeve, Marcelo, Max, Mia B, and Mia S taught us about flowers, trees, squirrels, horses, Mexico, Frozen, and Shakespeare. I always enjoy the wide range of topics! The remaining April presentation schedule is as follows: 4/25 Nathan, Sophia B, Sophia S, 4/28 Tait

See http://firstgradewithmrsbeyer.weebly.com/ for additional information.

<u>Springamajig</u>: I'm coming with my family! Are you? Owen and Caroline are looking forward to playing with the big kids. I'll be wearing the ever-so-stylish orange vest as I supervise, so you won't miss me. I hope to see you there!

<u>Volunteer Opportunities</u>: Check out the volunteer sign-ups at https://mrsbeyersfirstgradeclass201314.shutterfly.com/.

<u>Language arts</u>: We opened up our new unit, Keep Trying. The selected stories all feature characters that persevere. As we read, we practiced summarizing, predicting, and identifying cause/effect. We also reviewed short and long vowel patterns. We selected verbs to show past tense.

<u>Math</u>: We used position words (to the left of, to the right of, near, far, above, below, in front of, behind, next to) to identify location.

<u>Science/Social Studies</u>: We discussed ways to reduce, reuse, and recycle in honor of Earth Day.

<u>Specials</u>: After we watched the Assistance League orchestra and band perform, Mrs. Pahk helped us check out a new book. Mr. Wulff had a busy week helping us rehearse for the big concert tomorrow. Due to upper graders' testing schedule, we did not visit the computer or iPad labs.

Important dates:

-Friday, Apr. 25: Lunch on the Lawn, Spring Concert (10:00-10:30, MPR)

-Saturday, Apr. 26: Springamajig (11am-4pm, https://pcr.ourschoolpages.com/Packet/Springamajig/SignInPacketPage/0)

-Wednesday, May 21: Zoo Field Trip

-Friday, May 30: Collaboration Day, Spirit Rally

As always, contact me with any questions.

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