



Second Grade Superstars

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Mark Your Calendars...

4/9 – PTO Social
4/16 – Spring Conferences
4/19 – No School
4/23 – Volunteer Breakfast
4/26 – PTO Meeting
5/27 – Last Day of School

Specials Note -

On Thursdays & Fridays when students wear snow boots, please make sure to send tennis shoes for P.E. too.

★ STAR CORNER ★

Andrew Brown has really been working hard at following the school rules. His classroom responsibility and behavior has improved immensely. Andrew is now reminding students when they shouldn't be talking and if they have gotten off task. I am so proud of you Andrew!!!

Reading/Writing

Below are some Ancient Greece websites that provide stories that students can read and listen to online.

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/troy

www.abc.net/au/arts/wingedsandals/storytime3.htm

<http://greece.mrdonn.org>

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Check out our new class website & blog.

Math

The first part of unit 10 extends previous work with money and fractions to decimal notations for dollars and cents amounts. The second part of this unit, extends place-value concepts to 5 digit numbers.

Students will be developing the following goals throughout this unit:

- Use parentheses in number models.
- Solve money stories involving change.
- Estimate totals.
- Know and express automatically the values of digits in 5-digit numbers.
- Read and write money amounts in decimal notations.

CORE

We have wrapped up Ancient China and have moved onto Ancient Greece. The students are learning about all the different Greek Gods and Goddesses. I think their favorite story has been about Kronos. Kronos was married to Rhea. He was worried that one of his children would overpower him the way he overpowered his own father. Kronos began eating his children after each one was born. He ate a total of 5 children. After the sixth child, Zeus, was born Rhea decided to trick her husband. She wrapped a rock in a cloth and gave it to her husband. He swallowed the rock in one gulp. Her son was hidden in Crete. The son returned later in life to fight his father. Zeus poisoned his father causing him to spit up the children he had eaten. The children fought and defeated their father.