

## FRIDGE FACTS

The Room 205 Newsletter Edition \#30
Mrs. Wilhelmy's Class
March 26-30, 2012


What is going on in:
Reading? We are traveling to Australia and New Zealand. We'll be working with the novel Nim's Island, by Wendy Corr, this week. We plan to work on the Lanugage Activity Packet this week and celebrate this continent on Thursday, the 29th.

Note: Our next book report due April $19^{\text {th }}$ Students will be writing to the author or their books. It is important that the guidelines of the assignment are read carefully before the book is begun.
Note: Our next continent will be Asia. We will be reading Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes, by Eleanor Coerr. The novel is short, but the content is heavy. We will be doing significant preparation before reading this story.

Math? In math this week we will be starting Unit 9 . We will be going back to multiplication for a while to apply our knowledge of the facts. We will be multiplying and dividing with multiples of 10,100 and 1,000 . We will be using mental math and we'll explore the connections between multiplication, fractions, and geometry.


Science? Our current unit is all about Living Things and how they adapt to their environment in order to survive and reproduce.
Can you find the camouflaged animals in the photos? Check out our Fridge Facts on our webpage to see the images in color.


Social Studies? Our current unit is Economics. We will be bringing our study of economics close to home by looking closely at the entrepreneurs, the Mictchell's brothers' business.


## Fundations?

Unit: Unit Eleven, week one

* Concept: contractions
* Words of the week: won't and can't
* Trick words: early and work
* Sound-Alikes: it's/its
* Cursive letters: Capital Qand X

Star of the Week: Each week we celebrate one classmate from Room 205. We will be writing our star a letter and the star will have a chance to share special information and artifacts with us each Friday. Parents and important grown-ups are always invited to join in the celebration of your star and you are encouraged to write a letter to your special star as well. It is always a special time of the week.

Our Star for the week of March 26th is OZ. We look forward to learning more about you!

Other important information?

* Our guest reader is Mrs. Tang. She'll be here on Thursday, April 5th , from 1:40- 2:00. We can't wait!
* Reminder, students need to be completing one math and one reading session per week on Study Island. The SuccessMaker link on our site has been fixed and students may access this as well. All logins, usernames, and passwords are taped inside student planbook covers. Both sites can be accessed from our classroom site.
* Do you have photos from the talent show? Mrs. Kolocouris, our y earbook advisor, is looking for photos to put in this year's yearbook. You may email them, send them on a CD, or jump drive. Check out the Kensington yearbook page on our school's site for more information about the yearbook.
* Congratulations, MT and DB on your Over and Aboves this week. MT posted a sign in his front yard and collected $\$ 10.00$ for our Pennies for Patients campaign in one hour! DB has shown overwhelming love and support for his grandmother and parents during a difficult time. Congratulations, boys.
* Would it be Over and Above the expectations of a third grader to write a report about dolphins without being asked? Yes! MH did it! Would it be Over and Above expectations for a third grader to bring home bellwork questions and ask her dad to answer them in writing? CW did that! Congratulations, girls!


## Important Dates?

March 19-30 Pennies for Patients Drive (K-Kids)
March 28 6 grade choir visits
March 29 Continent Celebration for Australia/Oceania
March $303^{\text {rd }}$ quarter Report Cards go home
Our special class schedule:

$\checkmark \quad$ Monday $=$ music with Mrs. Budd
$\checkmark \quad$ Tuesday = computers with Mr. Pfall
$\checkmark \quad$ Wednesday $=$ art with Mrs. Coughlin (http://thinkcreateart.blogspot.com )
$\checkmark \quad$ Thursday = book exchange with Mrs. Ciprian
$\checkmark \quad$ Friday = fitness with Mr. Shreve (Please bring or wear sneakers)
Mrs. Wilhelmy's email = wilhelmy.amy@rrcs.org
Rocky River's web site $=$ www.rrcs.org click on Kensington, teacher web pages, and then Mrs. Wilhelmy to view our class's page


