

What is going on in: Reading

Book Report information: Our new book report will not be handed in to the Hand-In Box! Your child will be reading a non-fiction book (plus any additional sources) about a location he/she would like to visit. He/she will create a postcard, illustrate it, address it, stamp it, and mail it directly to my home. The card will include 5 facts about the location and will be written in first person. Oh, the places you'll go! Books needed to be approved by Feb 8.

Our next continent will be South America. We will be reading Salsa Stories by Lulu Delacre. This book is difficult to find and is sold on Amazon in both English and Spanish (I found this out the hard way). I do have many copies here at school, so if you have a hard time locating a copy, we will figure out book sharing in class.

We will continue to be working on our third writing style this week, Argument writing. The kids will be asked to state an opinion, defend it 3-4 times and then give a counter argument and rebuttal. We will practice this lawyerly style all quarter. Look out for third graders ready to convince you of all sorts of things!

Math? Unit 6 Geometry. We will be practicing concepts of geometry and our Unit 6 test will be on Wednesday, February $13{ }^{\text {th }}$.

Science


Social Studies. We are starting our new unit on Economics this week. We will be using the McDonald's Corporation to help us make sense of the vocabulary and concepts of this collection of learning targets. This week we will be investigating products/services, producer/consumer, and division of labor.


* Trick words: America and learn
* Sound-Alikes heard/herd
* Cursive letters: Upper case $\boldsymbol{H}$ and $K$


Guest Reader: Our guest reader for this week will be Mrs. Lazzaro. She will be here from 9:15-9:30 on February 14th
Star of the Week: Each week one of our classmates is chosen to be our Star. Our Star will have a chance to share information and treasures with us to help us get to know him or her better. We will share kind words with our star so he or she knows how much we care. Congratulations to this week's star. RG!

Other important information?


* SuccessMaker: Your child should be making an attempt to do a minimum of one reading, one math session per week.

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Thursday, the $14^{\text {th }}$. Please send a brown paper grocery bag and any supplies your child may need for decorating by the $12^{\text {th }}$. If your child would like to bring Valentines to his/her classmates, please make sure everyone is remembered on this special day. A class list was sent home last Monday. Please let me know if you need another one.

* Our classroom can be chilly and the kids go out to recess as often as possible. Please make sure your child has more than just a tshirt at school so that the day is more comfortable.
* Your children have gone through over 160 Band-Aids this school year. If you happen to have any extras you are willing to donate to children prone to paper cuts, we would be grateful.
* Dear parents of Room 205, our Continent Party was a hit! Thank you for all you did to prepare for the event. We are all so appreciative to you all for your organization, creativity, and willingness to come in to the room.
* Reminder: Fit-As-A-Pro paperwork is due to Mr. Shreve by February $15^{\text {th }}$.

* Congratulations, Future Councilman NU, on your Over and Above! NU attended a RR City Council Meeting this past week!

Important Dates?
Feb 10 Drew's Birthday
Feb 14 Bill's Birthday and Valentine's Day


Feb 15 Nature Center STATES OF MATTER program comes to Kensington's Third Grade. Our class will experience the program from 10-11. Feb 17-23 RR Community Coalition $8^{\text {th }}$ Annual Family Game Week (Note: All Family Game Night Opportunities will be worth 200 BCs during this city-wide celebration of family time.)
Our special class schedule:
$\checkmark \quad$ Monday $=$ music with Mrs.Budd
$\checkmark \quad$ Tuesday = computers with Mr. Pfall
$\checkmark \quad$ Wednesday $=$ art with Mrs. Braddock
$\checkmark \quad$ Thursday = book exchange with Mrs. Cipriani
$\checkmark \quad$ Friday $=$ fitness with Mr. Shreve
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.

