

FRIDGE FACTS

The Room 205 Newsletter Edition #23

Mrs. Wilhelmy's Class

February 6 - 10, 2012

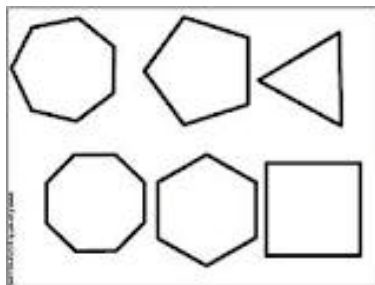
What is going on in:

Reading? We have just finished *Salsa Stories* by Lulu Delacre. We are moving on to our LAP and will be responding to the literature through art, math, writing, and skills activities.

Our next continent will be Australia and New Zealand. We'll be reading *Nim's Island*, by Wendy Carr. While there is a movie made of this story, I encourage families to hold off watching it as the book and movie do not match very well. It may be confusing for the kids. This novel will be easier to find, however, for those interested in having their own copy to write in.

Note: Our next **book report** will be assigned on Monday, the 6th and will be due March 6th. If kids wish to choose a story before the assignment is given, any chapter book at a third grade reading level or higher is one to be considered.

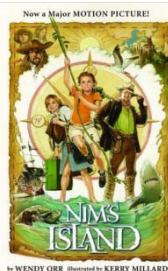
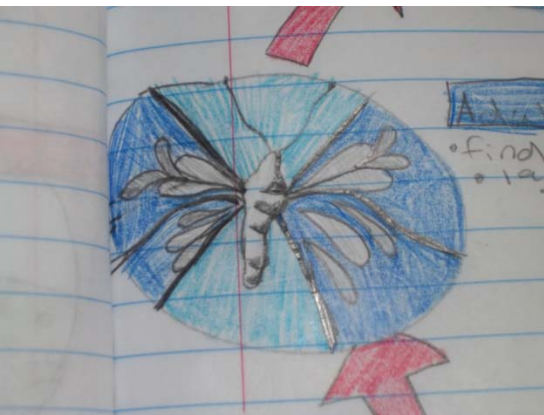
Math? Geometry : This week we will be getting ready for our Unit 6 test. The test will take place on Wednesday, the 8th. Can your child identify the polyhedrons and polygons below?



Science? Our current unit is all about **Living Things**. We will continue comparing **life cycles of plants and animals**. Expect a quiz on Friday!



Social Studies? Our current unit is **Economics**. We are using McDonald's restaurants and our own classroom economy to help us to understand the concepts of economics. Listen for our vocabulary words: **consumer**, and **producer**, **division of labor**, and **specialization**...



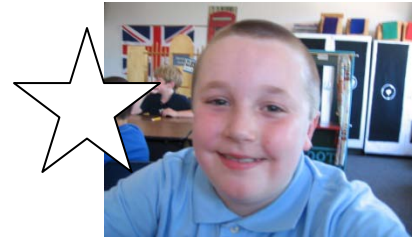
Foundations?

Unit: Unit Eight, week three

- ❖ *Concept:* **Consonant – 1–e Syllable + a suffix**
- ❖ *Words of the week:* **settling and settlement**
- ❖ *Trick words:* **beautiful and example**
- ❖ *Sound-Alikes:* **week/weak and meet/meat**
- ❖ *Cursive letters:* **Capital R and L**

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 January 30th is **DB** We look forward to learning more about you!



Other important information?

- ❖ Our guest reader is **Mrs. Mathews** on Thursday, February 9th, 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.
- ❖ Thank you, **parent volunteers** for **joining us on our trip to the Nature Center**. We had a wonderful time getting sandy, wet, and more knowledgeable about our surroundings. Check out photos of our trip!
- ❖ Congratulations, **HB** on your **Over and Above**. The beautiful new haircut HB is wearing is the result of a donation she made of her locks! Share what you have and put others before you? Yes, you did!

Important Dates?

February 6 *Maire Kate's birthday*

February 4, 11 – 1:00 Family Game Week Kick-Off at Rocky River Senior Center

**Note: Family Game Night Opportunities are worth double from February 4 – 10th. (200 BCs!)*

February 9th Science assembly

February 10 Celebration of Salsa Stories

Our special class schedule:

- ✓ Monday = music with Mrs. Budd
- ✓ Tuesday = computers with Mr. Pfaff
- ✓ Wednesday = art with Mrs. Coughlin (<http://thinkcreateart.blogspot.com>)
- ✓ Thursday = book exchange with Mrs. Cipriani
- ✓ Friday = fitness with Mr. Shreve (Please bring or wear sneakers)

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Rocky River's web site = www.rrcs.org click on *Kensington*, *teacher web pages*, and then *Mrs. Wilhelmy* to view our class's page.

