

Hello, Third Grade Scientists. Thanks for reading about my RR High School students and the work they do investigating pollution in the Rocky River. –Ms. Brokaw, RRHS biology teacher

FRIDGE FACTS

The Room 205 Newsletter Edition #18
Mrs. Wilhelmy's Class
January 7-11, 2013

What is going on in:
Reading

Our second book report will be completed online. No paper will be turned in whatsoever! The Online Survey Book Report must be submitted by January 30 and a book must be approved by January 8th. Students have been offered 50BCs for recruiting any other reader (child or adult) to complete the project along with us. Would you like to read with us? The survey is on our webpage (rrcs.org).



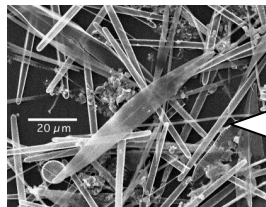
We have started *Nim's Island*, by Wendy Orr. Alert! The movie and book are significantly different. If you have not seen the movie, don't see it yet. Hold off until we finish the story and then we will compare. If you did watch the movie already, no worries.

***Note: We will be writing our **final informational report** next week. It will be done completely in class, assigned on Monday, due on Friday. Time to shine, my amazing third grade writers!

Are you interested in learning more about Australia and writing at the same time? Mrs. Wilhelmy's cousin, Tempany Deckert, originally from Australia, writes books for teens and is also a writing coach and actress. Her website is informative and interesting for those who are finding their voices in writing. Click on tempanydeckert.com to check it out.



Math? Unit 5 will continue this week. We will be going from VERY big numbers to REALLY tiny ones as we travel to the right side of the decimal point. Be practicing that place value, Kids! Practice your math facts too, while you are at it.



Do you know what these tiny things are?

Science: We will take a test on Chapter 3 in Earth Science on Tuesday. The study sheet is going home today (Friday). Everything you need to practice is on that page. Be watching for ways energy and resources are being conserved right here in Rocky River. Knowing and being able to discuss facts on this topic will help you on your test!

NOTE: SCIENCE SURPRISE ON MONDAY!!!

Social Studies We will be investigating our government for the next few weeks. We will be spending time reading and learning about all of the amazing things Rocky River's government does for us with our tax dollars.

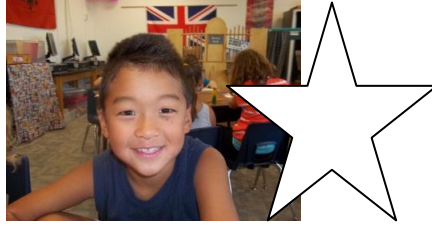
Foundations

- Unit: **Unit seven, week one**
- ❖ *Concept: Y in a suffix rule. What do you do if a word ends in "Y" and you need to add a suffix?*
- ❖ *Words of the week: **dried and babyish***
- ❖ *Trick words: **every and only***
- ❖ *Sound-Alikes: **flower and flour***
- ❖ *Cursive letters: **Upper case A, O, and C***



Guest Reader: Our guest reader for this week will be **Mr. Phal**. He will be with us from 9:10 – 9:30 on January 10th.

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. DE!



Other important information?

- ❖ **SuccessMaker:** Your child should be making an attempt to do a minimum of one reading, one math session per week.
- ❖ **Missing:** pair of grey/silver sequenced boots, size M.
- ❖ Please watch your child complete the **safety checklist** that went home Thursday. It is important that your child know his/her address, phone number, how to spell your names, and how to tie his/her shoes. Please return only when you are confident that your child knows this information by heart.
- ❖ **Our classroom is a bundle of sticks.** We are unbreakable. What beautiful essays you wrote!



- ❖ Congratulations, HB and TR on being elected to Burney Bank for the month of January!



- ❖ **Our Lego Photo Gallery** is growing and causing traffic jams in the hallway. Join in the fun! Have you made the most amazing creation, building, city, animal, other cool thing out of Legos? Take a photo and bring in the print. We will hang in our gallery. We can put some in Fridge Facts (you may email these to me). We cannot print in color here at Kensington so if you'd like the full-color image posted in our gallery you'll need to print it out on your own.



Important Dates?

Jan 7 3rd Grade auditions for Talent Show

Jan 7 Benchmark reading testing

Jan 8 fun lunch

Jan 11 Visit from Progressive Insurance team. They will present an economics game to us.

Jan 12 Madonna's birthday

Jan 17 End of Quarter Two

Jan 17 Upstanders Assembly

Our special class schedule:

- ✓ Monday = music with Mrs. Budd
- ✓ Tuesday = computers with Mr. Pfall
- ✓ Wednesday = art with Mrs. Braddock
- ✓ Thursday = book exchange with Mrs. Cipriani
- ✓ Friday = fitness with Mr. Shreve

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