



March NEWSLETTER



Primary School News

A Note From Mrs. Radcliff

RICAS: Students in grades 3-6 will be taking RICAS math and ELA during the month of April. Students will complete ELA during two separate testing sessions prior to April vacation. Students will complete the two math sessions after we return from April break.

RI NGSA: In May, students in grade 5 will be taking the state science assessment called RI NGSA. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me, Debbee

Reminders

Please make sure you have updated/current emergency contacts and a current list of those permitted to transport your child. If your child is going to be late to school let us know so we can order lunch for them. If there are any changes in medication or health concerns, please contact Mrs. Lisa Rocchio, RN, CSNT at 401-270-8338.

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Please contact us with questions concern or good news!



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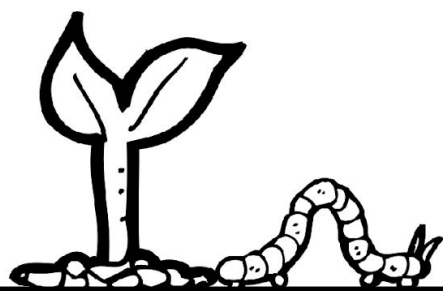
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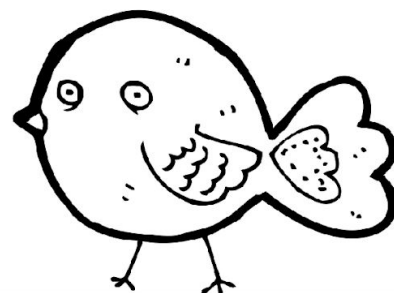
Upcoming Events

March 8 Daylight Savings time begins; International Women's day
March 17- St. Patrick's Day
March 19- Spring begins and St. Joseph's Day
Spring Spirit Week March 23- 27

Teamwork makes the dream work.



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Ms. Barra's Class

This month the students in K-2 will be continuing to work on subtraction strategies and fluency; first grade will be focusing on 1-20 and second grade within 100. You will start to see short math homework assignments coming home this month as well. In reading we will be studying Expository Texts and learning about how the Earth changes. Social Studies will continue our study of goods and services, with a focus on the goods we use and community wants and needs. We will continue to work on improving our handwriting skills and begin working on creative writing. We will begin new science kits! We always enjoy the hands on activities!

Keep reading every day!

Ms. Coyle's Class

The students in grade 3-4 continue to stay busy! In math the third graders are working on multiplication and using a numberline to help them solve problems. The fourth graders have just finished topic two and now we are moving on to topic 3. Students will be using different strategies to multiply by a 1-digit number. In reading, students continue to work on their fluency and automaticity. Students are reading short plays with each other. The students are practicing reading with a partner, taking turns, and tracking what they are reading. Students continue to practice their writing and spelling skills in 3/4! The third graders are working on short vowel sounds a,i. The fourth graders are working on the long e sound! Students continue practicing their writing skills through guided writing prompts about given topics! In Social Studies, students are focusing on "How does America Use Its Strengths and Face Its Challenges." Students will be asked to read about certain regions in the United States and investigate the people who live there and think about the similarities and differences within those regions. In Science, grades 3/4 continue to focus on Force and Interactions. Students will continue investigating how force, mass, and friction all play a role in motion.

Ms. Querceto's Class

This has been a busy month for Grades 5-6. We have focused on biographies of Civil Rights Movement leaders such as Martin Luther King Jr. and Rosa Parks, and figures from the Civil War such as Harriet Tubman and President Lincoln in ELA and Social Studies. Students have been working on biographies in Music as well as in ELA and have practiced other types of informational writing. We will wrap up our learning in this area and transition to reading and writing persuasive text in ELA. In Math, we have been exploring different ways to solve division problems with 1 and two digit divisors. We will continue to do so during the month of March. In Health, students have been studying healthy food choices. We completed our Properties of Matter kit in Science and have begun studying the topic of natural disasters. Students are looking forward to experiments with this topic. In art students will be making landscapes that include a natural disaster. In Library class, students will be learning about poets and artists from the Harlem Renaissance, such as Langston Hughes. February was also Kindness Month, which will be continuing into March with our "Fill a Bucket" project. Students will find ways to wish each other, staff, and families well each week. Happy Spring!

From Mrs. Piva

During the month of March, one of the topics our students will learn about is self regulation.

This will include working on activities that will allow students to demonstrate and discuss how they can show self control, how they feel after they use self control and places where it is important for them to use self control. Students will also be able to discuss and identify self regulation in the classroom setting. Students will be expected to participate in both small and whole group discussions with this clinician and their peers.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to continue to discuss these topics at home and if you have any further questions please feel free to email me (mpaiva@westbaycollaborative.org).

Thank you,
Mrs. Paiva