

Dear Room 19 Families,

I hope you had a fun, family-filled, February Break!

Below, please find some reminders and updates for the upcoming week, as well as a summary of what we are working on in class.

### Updates and Reminders:

**Hybrid Updates-** I am very excited to come back to school, WITH STUDENTS, starting March 1st! Please be on the lookout for more information from Mrs. Steinberg. As I receive updated information, I will also share it with you. Please remember, if you traveled out of state during the break, a 10-day self-quarantine is required prior to returning to school.

**Library Updates-** The Pacific Library is starting a takeout book service. See the attached flyer. Students may also return any books they used for their genius hour reports to the library return bin in front of the office.

**Talent Show-** It's time to start thinking about the 2021 Pacific Talent Show on Friday, May 14, 2021. Students have the opportunity to fine-tune a special talent ... or just have an excuse to create a fun act with their siblings, pod-mates, etc. Depending on COVID restrictions, the Talent Show will take place outside at Pacific or if necessary, via Zoom. More details will be coming soon.

**West Basin Art Contest-** Interested in promoting water awareness and conservation? Join the West Basin Art Contest! More information [HERE](#).

**Bingo Night-** Pacific will be hosting FAMILY BINGO NIGHT on Friday, March 5th via Zoom. Check the eBlast for more information!

**Run Club-** Run Club is back (virtually)! If you are interested in participating, please send an email to [pacificrunclub2021@gmail.com](mailto:pacificrunclub2021@gmail.com) to receive access to our school's Strava site, and get more information.

### What We're Working on This Week:

#### **Reading & Writing-**

- **Genius Hour-** Most students have completed their rough draft report. We will spend this week editing and revising, and will put their work into a newspaper template. Students will begin to use multimedia sources to incorporate pictures and graphs into their writing.
- **Core Novel-** We are reading *The Sign of the Beaver*, and identifying character traits, conflicts, and important elements of the setting.

**Math-** We will continue to work on multiplying and dividing fractions and decimal fractions in Module 4. Make sure that you had a chance to look at the graded math tests from the first half of the module (linked in Math GC).

**Science-** We will start our new scope, Water Sources. In this unit, we will emphasize that water is found almost everywhere on Earth: as vapor; as fog or clouds in the atmosphere; as rain or snow falling from clouds; as ice, snow, and running water on land and in the ocean; and as groundwater beneath the surface. The downhill movement of water as it flows to the ocean shapes the appearance of the land. Nearly all of Earth's available water

is in the ocean. Most freshwater is in glaciers or underground; only a tiny fraction is in streams, lakes, wetlands, and the atmosphere.

**Social Studies-** We will continue with our unit, The Crisis with Great Britain.

**Social Emotional Wellness-** Our Engaged PRIDE winner before break was Tessa! Way to go, Tessa! This week, we will focus on the PRIDE trait, positivity.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Kindly,

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