

Dear Room 19 Families,

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

I would like to welcome Colin, and the Bindler Family to Room 19! They come all the way from New Jersey!

Below, please find some reminders and updates for the upcoming week, as well as a brief summary of what we are working on in class. There are a lot of dates to "calendar," and important information, thank you for reading all the way through! :)

Information and Updates:

- **Scholastic News/ Scholars Speak Essay Contest 3/4-** Scholastic News has created a personal essay contest tribute to Jackie Robinson and his 9 Values (citizenship, determination, justice, commitment, courage, excellence, persistence, integrity, and teamwork). We will spend some class time learning about Jackie and his values, and planning and writing the essay. Students will be responsible for completing the remainder of the assignment at home, and will practice rehearsing it for a **Scholars Speak assignment due on Monday, March 4**. Winners get to go see the 2019 MLB All Star game (trip and tickets paid), get laptops and iPads for their class and teacher, and get other Jackie Robinson items. There are 10 National Winners! [HERE](#) is the assignment.
- **Walk Through the American Revolution 3/5-** Our performance is on Tuesday, March 5, 12:00-2:30. Please make sure your child has memorized his/her part and has a costume ready for the day of the performance. We will begin rehearsals during social studies class this week. Parent volunteers, the rehearsal schedule is attached. We still need parents who can help re-package borrowed costumes after the event. Please email Mrs. Stelter if you can help: [sstelter@mbusd.org](mailto:ssstelter@mbusd.org)
- **Root Word Test 3/6-** In place of Wordly Wise this week, we will add on to our collection of root words. Our next root word test will be on Wednesday, March 6.
- **KidBlog 3/7-** Our next review is due next Thursday, March 7, and it is a free choice book.

- **Open House 3/14**- Mark your calendars for Thursday, March 14, at 7:00, to see a day in the life of a fifth grader! We will have a minimum day that Friday, March 15.
- **Pantherthon 3/15**- Pantherthon has been rescheduled to March 15. Click [HERE](#) for more information.
- **MBMS Parent Orientation 3/18**- On March 18, from 6-7:00, in the Multi-Purpose Room, there will be a meeting for parents only.
- **Urban Dance Performance 3/19**- Our 10-week dance class will culminate with a performance on the morning of Tuesday, March 19.
- **MBMS Field Trip 3/20**- All 5th grade students will walk to MBMS to tour the school, hear the band, learn about classes and schedules, and more! More information coming soon.
- **5th grade GATE Screening 3/20**- GATE screening will take place after school. Please contact the Pacific office for more information.

Reminders for this Week:

- **Monday-**
 - We have P.E.
- **Tuesday-**
 - We have Science Lab with Mrs. Liu.
- **Wednesday-**
 - We have morning assembly. Remember, meet on the upper field and wear blue and yellow!
 - We have dance class!
- **Thursday-**
 - We have music.
 - We have P.E.
 - We will meet with our Kinder Pals to read & celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday.
- **Friday-**
 - We have art class.
 - We have Maker Space!

What We're Working on This Week:

- **Reading & Writing-**

- Genius Hour- Students have completed the note taking process, and will use their notes, and knowledge of non-fiction text structures, to turn their questions and notes into paragraphs. We will have a strong focus on paragraph structures, and will use mentor texts, along with Scholastic News, for examples.
- Scholastic News/Scholars Speak- We will work on the breaking barriers personal essay.
- **Math-** We will continue to work in Module 4, and will focus on multiplying a fraction by a fraction. Don't forget about all of the great resources on the Math page of our class website!
- **Science-** We will begin our next Earth and Space Science Scope, Gravity! Before break, students experimented with paper airplanes, and this week students will build on their exploring, as well as learn about Newton's Laws of Gravity and Motion by building Newton's Cradles in Maker Space.
- **Social Studies-** A note from Mrs. Stelter: We will review the cause/effect chain of events leading to the revolution. Students will practice their Walk Through the Revolution roles and battle scenes.

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

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