

Dear Room 19 Families,

I hope you had a wonderful weekend!

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.

Information and Updates:

- **Reagan Library Field Trip-** Our field trip tomorrow! Students need to arrive at school at 7:15 to board the bus. The bus leaves at 7:30 sharp. Students need to bring a disposable lunch and a drink to eat at the Reagan Library (please label with name and room #). They may bring a book to read or drawing materials for their time on the bus, or they can simply have conversations with the people near them! They should not bring any electronics or money (we will not stop at the gift shop). The bus should return around 3:00-3:30, depending on traffic. I will keep you updated about our ETA through the Remind App. The two chaperones that will be attending the Reagan Library field trip with us are Mrs. Flechner and Mrs. Stringer. Thank you to all who volunteered, there will be more opportunities in the future!
- **KidBlog Book Reviews-** We will complete our first whole class book review on the KidBlog website this week. The Room 19 Book Review on KidBlog is a place where students will review and recommend books that they are finished reading. When a student finishes a book, he or she can log-in to KidBlog to write a short review. Reading reviews is an excellent place for your child to find their next great book! Just like adults like to get peer book recommendations, so do fifth graders! Students can use our Shiloh example to help in writing their own, due November 1st. KidBlog book reviews are an at home assignment. A very detailed explanation of how to complete a Kidblog will come home in a packet on Tuesday, and is also on the Reading page of our class website.
- **Young At Art-** Our first YAA lesson this is on Friday. Please use this sign-up to volunteer for all YAA lessons: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4fa5ab28a6fb6-young2>
- **Parent Teacher Goal-Setting Conferences-** Conferences are the week of November 5th (minimum day schedule all week). I am looking forward to our time together to create goals for your child based on their strengths and needs. Below is the link for the Sign Up Genius. In order for me to best prepare, I will close the sign-up by 4pm on Sunday, November 4th. If you need to adjust your time after the 4th, please email me directly. Thank you! Sign-Up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4EA4AF23ABFB6-goal>
- **Mindful Moment-** Pausing to practice mindfulness for just a few minutes at different times during the day can help your days be better, and more in line with how you'd like them to be! The simple practice of bringing a gentle, accepting attitude to the present moment, can help promote happiness and relieve stress. In Room 19, we practice mindful moments through "Chime Time," sharing what has brought us joy during the day, and taking "Brain Breaks" to get up and move around. You can practice and promote mindfulness at home too!

- **Bring Your Parents to P.E.-** Calling all Parents! The time has come to join us! Bring your Parents to P.E. Week is almost here! During the Week of October 22nd please join us during your child's P.E. Classes. Come dressed and ready for Activity...yes...you get to warm up, stretch and practice games with us that we play in physical education! A little peek into what we do each day! Join us once...or come each day you student has P.E. (Monday and Thursday from 12:40-1:40). Here is a fun video from previous years: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AYVI7ZrV7el>

Reminders for this Week:

- **Monday-**
 - Field trip all day!
- **Tuesday-**
 - We have Science Lab with Mrs. Liu.
 - I will be gone in the afternoon for a math training.
- **Wednesday-**
 - Remember that we will meet on the upper playground at 8:10 for morning assembly.
 - Be a Proud Pacific Panther and represent our school by wearing blue, yellow, or Pacific gear :)
- **Thursday-**
 - We have music. Remember to bring your instrument.
 - We have P.E.
- **Friday-**
 - We have art class.
 - We have Wordly Wise Lesson 5 Test.
 - We have Young at Art.

What We're Working on This Week:

- **Reading-**
 - We will finish *Shiloh* this week! We will celebrate the end of the book by completing our first whole class KidBlog, and then students will use it as an example to complete their own.
 - Students will get into book club groups and learn how to read and discuss as an interactive and collaborative group. We will start by practicing with Scholastic News and Storyworks, and then students will choose their own fiction story.
- **Writing-** This week, students will continue writing their narrative story while using a narrative writing checklist, and drawing on past teaching points, to elaborate and edit/revise.
- **Math-** We are working on Module 2, focusing on Multi-Digit Whole Number and Decimal Operations. Don't forget to check-out the resources on the math page of our class website.
- **Science-** This week, we will begin our new scope, Food Webs. Students will describe the movement of matter among plants, animals, decomposers, and the environment. Please look for graded tests to be returned this week.

- **Social Studies-** A note from Mrs. Stelter: We are learning about the Age of Exploration. We will discuss the advancements in navigational technology during the 1400-1500s, and also study the first Portuguese explorers who were determined to sail around Africa to reach India.

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