

# LE 7 Newsletter

Sra. Pearsall y Sra. Collazo

January 2012

## *Thanks and Reminders*

Thank you to all the families who donated materials and items for our cultural presentation. The children really enjoyed researching, getting ready and presenting to you all. Thank you Phepls and Line family for always helping out on Fridays with Friday folders and copies. Thank you Harris family for taking care of our fish and plants during our break. Thank you to our wonderful room parents Sra. Miller and Sra. Phelps for everything you do and for your support. Thank you Sra. Solomon for always taking care of our scholastic needs. Thank you to all the families who donated books to the LE7 library. The children are excited to be back and have been sharing their exciting stories with us. Sra. Pearsall is pleased to be working with such a wonderful group of students and is impressed with their behavior and independence. The children are getting to know her and have welcomed her. Sra. Pearsall is getting to know our routine and she is looking forward to meeting each of you. She is asking for your patience and support during this adjustment process. Thank you for your support.

Just a reminder to those families who volunteered for January:

Laundry Fairy- Line Family

Flowers- need a Family

We need a public Library check out Family for the month of January!

## *Wishlist*

- Regular blue and black pens
- Popsicle sticks

## *Calendar*

1/6: Casa Community; Early Release, NOON, Progress Reports go home.

1/11: PFA Executive Meeting, 8:30 am

1/16: Martin Luther King Day, School Closed

1/25: Children Teach Parents Showcase, 6:00-7:30 PM

1/26: Coffee with the principal, 8:45-10:00 am

1/27: Early Release, NOON, Board Meeting, 6:00-8:00 am

## *Children Teach Parent Night*

We have a special event that will happen on Wednesday, January 25. We invite all families to come from 6-7:30. At this event, your child will have the opportunity to be the teacher while you, the parent, are the student. At this event, your child will be able to show you some of the works that he/she has learned this year. We hope you will keep this date free so that you may join us for this special night.

### *Curriculum*

#### *Language*

This month, our writing lessons will focus on poetry. Students will learn about all different types of poetry. They will create their own versions of a question poem, a list poem, a shape poem, an acrostic poem, and an ABC poem. In our poetry unit, we will discuss the terms: stanza, line, and prose. Students will continue to have daily editing practice. Please continue to encourage your child to use correct grammar, spelling, capitalization and punctuation in ALL of their writing.

#### *Math*

This month second grade will be working on solving whole-number operations and number stories (Unit 6). We will also focus our instruction on Patterns and rules (Unit 7). Third grade on the other hand, will be on geometry concepts and problems (Unit 6) and we will be sharpening our skills on Multiplication and Division (Unit 7)

#### *Culture*

This month second grade will be learning about how life became in the formation of earth and the different eras in its formation. We will also learn about Biomes, Ecosystems and habitats, the kind of weather in each one as well as the animals that live there. Among other important topics we will learn about the food chain and the first timeline of humans.

Third grade will be studying the Skeletal and Muscle Systems. We will be comparing our bones, collecting bones, reading about what makes our bones strong and healthy, we will also be learning about the different types of joints, and how muscles help moving the bones.

#### *Spelling*

Week of Jan 2 (Unit 19)

(2) days,bikes,boxes,beaches,wishes,dresses,names,bells,stamps,dishes,grapes,children,jets,frogs,stitches,fences

(3) hole,whole,its,it's,hear,here,knew,new,our, hour,their,there,they're,road,rode,peace,piece

Week of Jan 9: (Unit 20)

(2) cot,face,goal,gym,city,page,plug,crash,place,gone,brag,nice,goat,green,circus,once

(3) age,space,change,jacket,center,giant,pencil,circle,once,large,dance,jeans,bounce,orange,nice,page,excited

Week of Jan 16: (Unit 21)

(2) tall,saw,dog,draw,call,fall,soft,paw,ball,yawn,log,small,all,walk,awful,wallpaper

(3) shark,check,queen,circus,flake,crack,second,squeeze,quart,squeak,quick,sink,quit,school,black,thank,correct

Week of Jan 23: (Unit 22)

(2) boot, took, new, moon, blew, book, soon, grew, foot, room, you, who, look, good, shadow, balloon

(3) birthday, anyone, sometimes, everything, homework, afternoon, airplane, grandfather, something, himself, faraway, grandmother, without, herself, someone, cannot, scorekeeper, everybody

Educationally yours,

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