

FEBRUARY

4TH Grade PS 377

Important Dates

February 2: Valentine candygram money is due
February 6: Grade 5 Bake Sale for Grades K-5
February 7: World Read Aloud day & 6:00 pm parent workshop on Power of Gratitude
February 8: ESL parent workshop & 5:00 Aladdin show
February 9: 100th day of school & 5:00 Aladdin show
February 12-16: Respect for All week
February 27: Social Emotional parent workshop at 8:30 am
February 29: Grades 3-5 Black History month speaking contest

Leader in Me



This month we will be focusing on Habit # 4: Think Win-Win. As we learn about this habit, we will be learning how to problem solve when an issue comes up with another person. We will also be learning about how we can be kind to others and try to think of ways to help everyone be happy.

Writing

Literary Essay

We are continuing our unit in writing on literary essays. In connection with our reading unit students will read texts closely in order to generate ideas about a text. Students will learn how to cite evidence in a text to support their ideas.

In addition, students will work on writing compare-and-contrast essays using familiar texts.

Grammar: Unit 2 Topics

- Common and proper nouns
- Singular and plural nouns
- Irregular plural nouns

Reading

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Detail and Synthesis: Close Reading of Fiction

Our class has been reading up a storm in book clubs, and during independent reading with both informational and fiction texts. In this unit, students will strengthen the skills that were taught in unit 1 such as making inferences, analyzing characters and identifying themes.

Math

Eureka Math Module 5:

This month we are beginning Module 5 of our math curriculum. In this unit we will be building upon our prior skills and developing our understandings of fractions. In this unit, students build on their Grade 3 work with unit fractions as they explore fraction equivalence and extend this understanding to mixed numbers. This leads to the comparison of fractions and mixed numbers and the representation of both in a variety of models. Students then have the opportunity to apply what they know to be true for whole number operations to the new concepts of fraction and mixed number operations.

Social Studies

Using Passport to Social Studies, learners will explore a variety of digital and print resources to understand New York's role in colonial America. The children will be conducting research projects on this topic as part of Unit 3 in Reading.



Have a great break!



Home Connection

Reading with your child will help them to build a strong vocabulary. Read together and encourage your child to read independently. Each child has a Raz kids account which is a great resource with hundreds of leveled texts to read online!

Review your child's math homework and use the Homework Helper page in the Eureka Math Succeed book for models. The online math program, www.zearn.org, has lessons which are directly aligned to our Eureka Math program. Mathematicians should work on zearn lessons and practice multiplication facts at home daily to build fluency.