

Kindergarten February 2019 Newsletter

Upcoming Events:

February 7: 100th day of school

February 8: Yearbook Order forms

February 22: Friendship Feast and Friendship Card Exchange

February 22: Early Release (1:00)

Writing: Students will be working on nonfiction writing. They will choose an animal and create their very own report. We will work on learning about the Table of Contents and its job and how to use it. Students will write about what their animals eats, what type of habitat they like in, different facts about their animal as well as create an illustration. They will work on labeling their illustration to show the different body parts.

Reading: This month we will be continuing to learn about the differences between fiction and nonfiction stories. We will explore different types of text features such as labels, tables of contents, glossaries, etc... We will also be discussing how to read nonfiction stories and how to use the information that we learn from them.

Math: We will be starting to learn about subtraction this month. The students will learn what a minus sign looks like, as well as different strategies on how to subtract. We will play various math games to help them learn how subtraction is just taking away. At home, please work on math story problems with your child by verbally telling them a math story so that they can solve the problem. For example: If I bought 8 doughnuts at the store and the dog ate 3 of them how many doughnuts will we have left.

Content:

Ryan-Forces: We will be learning about what forces are and how they work. The students will explore different types of pushes and pulls, as well as how different simple machines work and what they look like.

Abbie-Oceans: Together we will be learning about the ocean habitat and discuss the array of animals that live in the ocean. We will go on virtual trips to the ocean, work on our non-fiction writing skills while creating different ocean creatures.

Melisa-Rain Forest: We will work on the habitats and needs of the variety of animals that call the rain forest there home. We will also learn about conservation of the rainforest and its natural resources. Students will work on non-fiction writing to share their learning.

Friendship Feast Day: If your child would like to make friendship cards to exchange with their classmates on this day (Feb 22nd) we would welcome them. We are, however asking that you refrain from sending in any candy with their friendship cards. **Non-food items** such as stickers, pencils, tattoos are fine.