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Class News

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**DATE:**

**March 2017**

**5th Grade Math:**

Students completed their fraction unit. They did a wonderful job applying their knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of fractions to complete their bake sale project.

Students have begun their geometry unit. They have done a wonderful job studying the various characteristics of polygons and learning to classify them in a hierarchy based on their properties. They have been studying perimeter and area and have learned how and why changing the size of a shape changes the area or perimeter in a specific way. Students have graphed points on a coordinate plane and are beginning to study volume this week.

**4th Grade Math:**

Students completed their fractions unit and are beginning their geometry unit. They will begin by exploring the relationships among 2-D and 3-D shapes. They will learn to identify and define characteristics of different quadrilaterals. They will classify a variety of shapes as parallelograms and learn to identify shapes by their attributes.

**ELA:**

We completed the book *My Daniel.* Students worked hard on creating a keynote throughout the study of the novel. They did an amazing job presenting their keynotes this week. They are working on a final project for this novel. They have a choice of 6 six projects and are completing this in class. They will present these at the end of the month.

We began reading our independent novels. Students had their novels approved by me and they are spending independent time reading them and creating an amazon advertisement for their books. Students are also picking out meaningful vocabulary that will be used for our weekly vocabulary and spelling tests.

Students completed insightful poems about mindfulness, which are displayed in our classroom. They also practiced their persuasive writing by creating a book review for *My Daniel* and writing a paragraph about the issue of recess in middle school.

**Important Dates:**

3/8 6:30 Distinguished Student

3/10 Spirit Day

4/3 Third Marking Period Ends

4/7 Spirit Day

4/13 Report Cards Home

4/14 – 4/21 Spring Break

4/24 Back to School

4/25 Honor Roll Assembly

**Teacher News:**

I cannot believe we are over half way through our third marking period. Our third marking period ends April 3rd.

We will begin state testing in May. Our CAP testing schedule will be a little different from the school testing calendar because I will be testing both the fourth and fifth grade students. I will send home a CAP testing schedule in April.