

# Headline News

## MARCH 2018

### WHAT WE'RE LEARNING...

#### Reading:

This month, we will be focusing mostly on summarizing both fiction and nonfiction texts. We will be using stories from our reading book as well as some St. Patrick's day themed texts. We will also be working on drawing conclusions and cause and effect.

#### Language Arts:

We will be wrapping up our work with verbs and moving on to adjectives. We will be using adjectives to describe and to compare. We also continue our work with prefixes and suffixes.

#### Writing:

This month, we will begin working on personal narratives during our writing time. We will be focusing on writing about a "seed" moment. We will continue to work on incorporating dialogue into our writing to enhance the story and on incorporating strong verbs and adjectives.

#### Science:

We've moved on from life science to Earth science. We will be learning about the Earth's layers, and the forces that give Earth's surface its features. We will also be learning about Earth's resources.

#### Social Studies:

This month, we are resuming our study of the regions of the United States. We have learned about the Northeast region already and we will be learning about the Southeast region next. We will continue to play Mystery Skype as well!

#### Math:

We are wrapping up our probability and statistics chapter and will be moving on to fractions. We will be spending a great deal of time working with fractions. We have also started a weekly multiplication log. Strong multiplication facts make finding equivalent fractions and common denominators much easier. Please be sure to complete the log each week!

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### IMPORTANT DATES

March 9<sup>th</sup>: Professional day (no school)

March 20<sup>th</sup>: Report cards

March 30<sup>th</sup>: Good Friday (no school)

April 2<sup>nd</sup>: Easter Monday (no school)

### MISS CHACE'S CORNER

Spring is almost sprung and the second trimester is coming to an end! The year is flying by very quickly and we have been hard at work. I especially enjoyed our President presentations! Be on the lookout for second trimester report cards towards the end of the month.

March book reports have gone home and are due on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure that books are age appropriate and students are using details from the book in their report.

We've begun a weekly multiplication log. The students must practice their multiplication facts at least three times a week and complete the log. There are a variety of choices for practice. The websites at the bottom of the log are for both games and online practice tests. A weekly multiplication game will be stapled to the log each week and is another option for practice. Students may practice a specific fact or review all facts depending on their level. I'm hoping this will make our fraction work go much smoother!

----Miss Chace