





Weekly News

Week of 1/21-1/25

Mrs. Wooden's Thoughts

• There is no school on Monday due to Martin King Luther Jr. Day! Here are some pictures of our drawings of this great man in U.S. History:







- Students received their reading calendars last week. This calendar will be for the month
 of January + February. Please make sure your student is reading for 15-20 minutes
 every day.
- Report cards were sent home on Wednesday. Please sign the envelope and return ASAP.
- Congratulations to the following students for leveling up on the Super Improver Board: Maggie, Ella, Summer, Eve, Bryce, and Alexis!
- We started our Engineer in the Classroom in Science! Our first sessions with our engineers went great! Our theme is MUSIC and students have already designed

machines to make sounds. Thank you to all of the donations so far for our machine. Keep sending in donations! **We are really in need of scrap wood.** Read the letter below for the date of our competition and mark your calendars!

HEY KIDS!!

It is time for the ENGINEER IN THE CLASSROOM and the RUBE GOLDBERG Competition!! Hope that you are ready to go.

This year the ENGINEER IN THE CLASSROOM Project is heading into over 40 - 5th grade classrooms and we are going to be discussing and studying the basic principles and fields of engineering as well as practicing some of the skills used in Engineering.

Along with seeing some of the greatest Engineering feats from around the world, and using the internet to research some of the work that has been done in the past as well as currently, we are also going to see who in the world that RUBE GOLDBERG guy really was.

During this time, we are also going to be designing and constructing a RUBE GOLDBERG project. And that takes a lot of JUNK!! You will need to scour your house for all the JUNK that you can find. Below is a list of items that can be used on your class's RUBE GOLDBERG.

Remember, your class's RUBE will be judged against all the other 5th grades that are participating in this area...so be prepared to work hard and learn about the field of Engineering. The Competition will be held on February 23rd, 2019 at the Competition Venue...so get ready to have some ENGINEERING FUN!!...and GOOD LUCK!!

Items that are allowed on RUBE:

plastic jars, action figures, toys, nails, screws, lids, balls, marbles, ball bearings, packing pieces, strings, spools, tubes, yarn, oatmeal boxes, PVC pipe, rope, vacuum or outdoor hose, scrap wood, rubber bands, sports equipment, cans, cereals, plastic containers, gum, rice, beans, silverware, kitchen utensils, dog food, baggies, sand, paperclips, all types of tape, boxes, bags, mousetraps, pulleys, tools, springs, liquids (must be contained).

So search through your room, house and garage. Just about any old junk will do BUT ALWAYS CHECK WITH YOUR PARENTS FIRST!!!!! This list can be extended but judgment by the teacher and the engineer should be used. There should be NO valuables used, i.e. grandpa's retirement watch, money, real gold, antiques, etc. as the EITC Board, Schools, and Venue site will not be responsible for those items.

Reminders

- 1/19 Rivermen Game Performance for Choir
- 1/21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day No School
- 2/4 District Spelling Bee 1:00 p.m.
- 2/8 Family Fun Night at Armstrong ~ 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
- 2/14 Valentine's Day Parties 2:15 p.m.
- 2/15 1/2 Day SIP 1:00 p.m.
- 2/18 President's Day No School
- 2/20 3rd Ouarter Midterms

Upcoming Tests

Tuesday- Words Their Way Tests

Classroom Feature

We are starting new interventions during our Extended Math and Reading times. We looked at MAP results and divided the students up according to categories and skills they need help on for math. In Math, we are focusing on algebra, geometry, and measurement. Each standard will be taught for three weeks and then the students will switch groups. In Reading, students will stay with me. We are focusing on Paired Passages, Close Reading, Extended Responses, and NonFiction.

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