



## Weekly News

Week of 1/7-1/11

### Mrs. Wooden's Thoughts

- I am so excited to start back tomorrow; I missed the students so much during break! I hope you have all enjoyed your holidays. Thank you again for all of the kind gifts I received from you; I truly appreciate your thoughtfulness.
- We are starting our Engineer in the Classroom in Science! Read the letter below:

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 - 5<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

- On Thursday, we will have our classroom Spelling Bee! The school Spelling Bee will be on Thursday, January 17th at 2:00.
- Friday, January 11th is the end of the grading period. I will be sending home missing worksheets on Tuesday, so please make sure your student has all work completed by Friday. No work will be accepted after that date. Thank you for your help!

## Reminders

- 1/7 - Head Checks
- 1/11 - End of 2nd Grading Period
- 1/16 - Report Cards Go Home
- 1/17 - School Spelling Bee - 2:00 p.m.
- 1/18 - SIP Day
- 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.

## Upcoming Tests

- None

## Contact Me

If you ever have any questions or concerns, never hesitate to contact me.

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