

Frankly Speaking

Bio-Project: Here is an update on the biography project. We have made our bio-folder and all students should have pocket 1 completed. They will bring their folders home if they fall behind at school. My goal is to complete the folder by the end of next week. If your child has not read their entire book they need to finish this up over the weekend. I will be sending home rubrics soon along with more wax museum information. On the front of the bio-folder your child drew a picture of their famous person. All students have done this and the folders look fantastic. They need to add 4 additional symbols significant to their person. They can either draw these symbols or print small pictures off the internet and then glue them on to the folder. An example of this would be (Ben Franklin), bi-focal glasses, lightning rod, a \$100 dollar bill, and the Franklin stove. Some students have already completed this part of the project.

Congratulations to **Hannah Florea and Lucas Hanf** for being chosen as star students. We have been busy filling their buckets by letting them know how great they are 😊 Correction!!! We have not filled **Claire Sample's** bucket yet; her time is coming soon!!!

Thank you for all the snack donations to our class. Students may bring in a healthy snack daily but we will always have a class snack in case they forget.

Grade Cards and AR: 2nd quarter grade cards came home today. Please

note that I have only tested multiplication facts through 5. We are still working towards these multiplication and division standards. Please sign the grade card envelope and return **just the envelope** to school on Monday.

I have also enclosed some information about our **accelerated reader program.** The students have been using this computer program at school to take quizzes based on stories from our reading series. The students now have IRL (individual reading levels) so they can check books out from the library to read and take quizzes on. Please let me know if you have any questions. You can go to ARbookfinder.com to search for books.

OUTSTANDING BEHAVIOR!!

We are now working to earn our cookie cake party. So far we have earned the letters co.

Math: We are busy working on our multiplications facts. We have tested facts 1-5 and we will now work on division 1-5, along with some mixed quizzes. Remember the challenge I sent home before Christmas is **due this Monday January 25th.** We are also working on Geometry. We have been learning about angles (obtuse, acute, right, and straight), plane figures, geometric solids (sphere, cube, cylinder, pyramid, cone, and rectangular prism), congruency, and symmetry.

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Reading: This week we read a great story called **Brave as a Mountain Lion.** This week we will read **Your Dad Was Just Like Me** and then we will be at the end of unit 3. We will be taking a couple of assessments before moving on to unit 4.

In **Language Arts** we have been busy working on our bio-folders.

Social Studies: Chapter 5. We have been working on timelines and learning about how communities change over time. We will make flashcards this week and read lesson 3 and 4.

Science: We have been busy observing our “Mock Rocks”. The students have been measuring their rocks and learning vocabulary words like diameter, circumference, depth, and mass. We will be turning into “geologists” this week and breaking our rocks apart to see what minerals they contain.

Spelling: A review list will come home this week. Please put all words in ABC order over the weekend and practice writing all 30 words in cursive. The students will have to put some of the words in ABC order on Friday’s test.

Book-It: Keep reading for the Month of January. Book Forms are due February 1st!!

Dates to Remember:
Jan. 22nd Movie Night

Jan. 22nd Grade Cards go home

Feb. 1st Book-it Due

Feb. 12th Valentine Party

Feb. 15th No School.

President’s Day

Frankly Speaking will come home every other week and will also be available on- line along with the Monclova Minuteman at:
anthonywayneschools.org.

Have a **GREAT WEEKEND!**
Please note my new e-mail address.

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