



room B224 News

Updates from the Teacher...

Dear b224 Families,

We have been working hard throughout the month of January and have many exciting things to look forward to in February.

A big focus will be the fifth grade **Black History: Living Wax Museum project.**

Students will "become" a person of interest after much research. Please engage in conversation with your child about this assignment. A letter explaining the details of this project was sent home 1/28/13.

In **Math** students are working hard to master multiplication facts. The class is making great progress! Please encourage practice of multiplication and division facts at home. We will continue to cover fractions and develop word problem solving skills in the upcoming weeks.

In **ELA** we are reading stories within the theme "Express Yourself," which includes several biographies. This connects well with our Living Wax Museum Project, which requires students to read biographies for their research. We will also continue to read our

first novel The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan. Focus skills include: text structure, summarizing, and inferencing. Additionally, we will continue to practice strategies to successfully answer MCAS multiple choice and open response questions.

In **Science** we learned about processes of the Earth, the Earth and the moon. We are now beginning a weather and climate unit. We will do several hands on investigations, and learn key concepts and vocabulary.

We have started a unit on Exploration and Encounters in **Social Studies**. We are also spending time in class to study current events of interest such as the inauguration and understanding key holidays, such as MLK jr. Day.

Please feel free to call or email with any thoughts or questions. As always updates, homework, blog posts, and photos will be posted on our class website:

www.msccorrenishomeroom.weebly.com

Thank you!

★ Ms. Correnti



Math Fact Masters

Students are working hard to master their facts. This chart tracks their improvement as they pass each fact 2-12. We have seen strong progress! Please congratulate your child and encourage him or her to keep practicing.



IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb. 1 - Half Day 10:30 Dismissal
- Feb 4 - Progress Reports sent home
- Feb. 8 - Chinese New Year Celebration
- Feb. 13 - Math ANET 3
- Feb. 16 - 24 February Vacation
- Feb. 28 Dr. Roger F. Harris Oratorical Society 8:30 - 10:30

MISCELLANEOUS

Classroom **donations** are greatly appreciated! At this time these items are of high priority: tissues, hand sanitizer, erasers, pencils, and Expo dry erase markers.
Thank you!

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