



CLASS NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE TEACHER

- It's getting chilly outside so as long as it is above 32 degrees RealFeel, we go outside for recess! Please be sure your student is dressed accordingly. This is also the time of the year for missing hats, gloves, and jackets. Be sure they are labeled so they can be identified in the lost-and-found.
- Check all grades on Infinite Campus. For access, you will have to contact the office.
- The Report Card window closes **BEFORE** we leave for winter break. If grades are not turned in before the end of the grading period, it cannot be edited, or altered, in any way. Check for missing assignments after Thanksgiving Break. Grades are due Tuesday, December 13th.



Important Events/ UPCOMING DATES

December 8th - Second Grade Winter Play at 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM
 December 9th - PTA Holiday Shop closes
 December 13th - AR Field Trip 9:30 AM-11:30 AM and StuCo Dress up Day: Christmas Accessories! Hats, Hair, Socks, whatever to get into the spirit
 December 14th - StuCo Dress up Day: Ugly-and-Nice Sweaters
 December 15th - StuCo Dress Up: Cozy in Pajamas
 December 15th - PTA Movie Night at 5:30 PM
 December 15th - Winter Parties
 December 16th to January 2nd - Winter Break
 January 3rd - Beginning of the Spring Semester!

For further information, email us!

Susie Pios

LEARNING OBJECTIVES/GOALS

ELA/Reading: I can learn more about the **theme** observations by reading a text that helps me understand **point of view** in realistic fiction (Shared reading for the lessons will be an excerpt from Gary Paulsen's *Hatchet*). Scholars will also review strategies on how to uncover context clues.

Words of the Week (Spelling words are typically test every two weeks):

- **Vocabulary for the Week:** gingerly, ignite, sputtered, painstaking, gratified
- **Spelling for the Week (Words with r-Controlled Vowels):** armada, conserve, guitar, proportion, internal, category, vertical, partition, conform, guardian, external, cardinal, excursions, injury, majority, turbulent, quarter, harmony, vertex, minority
- *Challenge Spelling: tarpaulin, notorious, honorable

Writing: Scholars will grammar review! We will be writing vivid descriptions relating to the holiday season.

Social Studies: How do we learn through our observations? A look into Protecting Elements of Nature (i.e. National Park Services)

Math: Lessons #48 - 51 (Word problems, Expanded Notation, Finding the Average) *Due to different class scheduling, math lessons may vary for the fifth grade team*

Science: Energy and Matter in Organisms