

a note from:

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Thought for the day:

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." -William Butler Yeats

November 13, 2008

Dear Parents,

Thank you for the opportunity to work with your children. I have been touched deeply by each one of them. They have helped me grow as a teacher and have inspired me to continue down the road of teaching.

This week we have been focusing on trickster tales in language arts. We have read two tales that identify the key elements of a trickster tale. These elements will help the students understand and appreciate the culture of trickster tales. The understanding of the various elements in trickster tales will help students when they create their own trickster tale next week. This week in writing we are composing thank you letters to the Butte County Cattle Women for allowing us to participate in the information fair last week. Our Create A Cow entry won second place!

In math we are learning about the concept of money. This week we have focused on identifying coins, their values and making equivalent sets with money. These skills will be carried on next week when we focus on greater than and less than values of money, and creating change. This concept will be tested next week. We are also continuing to review basic multiplication facts.

For science we have been studying energy. The class has learned what energy is, the different types of energy, and the fact that our sun is the main source of energy for earth. In the next couple of weeks we will learn about potential and kinetic energy, how chemical energy can be changed into other forms of energy, and how it is carried from one place to another. They will learn this information by participating in experiments and readings.

Mr. Panek and I would like to thank the parents who attended the field trip on Monday to the Mad Science: CSI. We truly appreciate your help in driving the class to the performance, and watching it with the class. We would not be able to have these experiences without the great parents we are lucky to have. Our next field trip is scheduled on December 11th, when we will be seeing the Children's Theater performance, **Peter Pan**.

A few reminders:

- ✓ Please make sure that can foods for the Student Council Food Drive are brought to class by Friday, November 14, 2008.
- ✓ Book orders are due on Friday, November 14, 2008.
- ✓ PTA's family movie night is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18, 2008. The event begins at 6:30pm and the movie *Kung Fu Panda* will be playing.
- ✓ Don't forget to pick up cookie dough today after school. The cookie dough orders will be distributed on the Hartford Avenue parking lot side of the school. Bring your cookie order form when picking up the cookie dough.

Have a great week!

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Weekly Report # 14

Homework	Science/Social Studies	Attitude/Work Habits	Comments:
Thursday	Energy Foldable	Outstanding	
Monday	Energy Worksheet	Acceptable	
Wednesday		Improving	
		Needs Improvement	
Math	Written Language	Citizenship	
Lesson Review	Autumn Poem	Outstanding	
Lesson 5.1	Thank You Letter	Acceptable	
		Needs Improvement	

Reading Counts Points

____/6 (20 points due by 03/06/08)

Language Arts

Spelling Workbook /Test Rabbit Races with Turtle Trickster Tale Page
Hungry Spider Trickster Tale Page

Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Please sign and return , **Thank you!**