# CLASSROOM NEWS Week of January 14th-18th 2018

## **Important Dates:**

1/18: spelling test and division facts quiz;

report cards go home

1/21: No School-Martin Luther King Jr Day

1/24: Family Math Night

2/5: Culver's Fundraiser 5-8 pm

## Our Specials Schedule:

Monday: Tech

Tuesday: Music, PE Wednesday: Music Thursday: PE, Library

Friday: Tech

# What We Are Learning:

Reading: This week students will be applying some of the nonfiction strategies that we have learned about. Some of the stories they will read about involve Great White Sharks, President Kennedy, and Chimpanzees. We will also be learning about Martin Luther King Jr. through a variety of activities.

Language Arts: Our spelling pattern this week is words that contain the /qu/ sound. In grammar we will work with the singular possessive noun rule. In writing we will start collecting facts and information for our literary nonfiction pieces. We will also write winter themed acrostic poems.

Math: We will work with parenthesis and the order of operations.

Science: We will be focusing on static electricity. Students will experiment with static electricity in class and we will learn about how it occurs with electrons moving from one object to another.

### At Home:

Please continue to encourage your child to read for a MINIMUM of 15 minutes each night. Ask them who/what/when/where/why/how questions regarding the text.

#### From the Teacher:

Welcome to 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter! I can't believe that the school year is officially half over! With a new semester we also have a new special. Children will not be participating in Music on Tuesdays and Wednesdays instead of Art.

Report cards will be going home on Friday in your child's Friday Folder. Please take some time to review and discuss your child's report card with them. I would like the envelope returned empty and signed, please. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's progress, please email me and we can set up a conference. Thank you!

Email: gforlenza@d124.org Phone: 708-422-1021 Website: www.forlenza.weebly.com