



### CHARACTER COUNTS

Throughout the year, we will continue to enhance our student's awareness of the concept of community and help them become independent problem solvers. In order to do this, we are placing a lot of emphasis on building character in the classroom and hope that you can join us in supporting these practices at home. Each month, we will be focusing on a certain characteristic and will be looking for students to exhibit these in their interactions with their peers as well as ourselves. The traits are as follows:

February:	Caring and Kindness
March:	Citizenship
April:	Courage and Perseverance
May:	Teamwork & Sportsmanship

#### Quote of the Month:

"There is no better exercise for the heart than reaching down and lifting others up." –John Andrew Holmes.

### WINTER CLOTHES

On days when the temperature drops, please be sure that all of your child's coats, hats, mittens, etc. are labeled. It is also helpful if the items fit into your child's backpack so they won't be left behind if it warms up and your child chooses not to wear them later in the day.

**HAPPY FRIDAY!**

*...AND HAPPY 100<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SCHOOL!  
ASK YOUR CHILD ABOUT TODAY'S  
ACTIVITIES.*

*WE ARE ALL IN NEED OF ITEMS FOR OUR  
TREASURE BOXES. THANK YOU FOR ANY  
DONATIONS YOU CAN PROVIDE!*

*THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16 IS SCHOOL  
PICTURE DAY. ORDER FORMS WENT  
HOME THIS WEEK. STUDENTS MUST BE  
IN FULL UNIFORM ON THIS DAY, AS  
ALWAYS.*

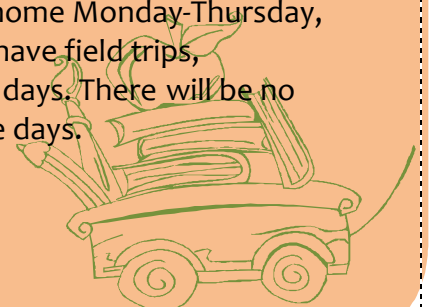
### **\*\*\*IN THE WEEK AHEAD... \*\*\***

We will continue to reinforce the rules, discipline policy, playground etiquette, and classroom routines.

We are studying the second half of the Singapore Math curriculum, practicing ordinal numbers, comparing sets, and time. We will be studying our next continent, Europe. Lastly, we are also studying space and planets.

Readers will continue to go home. Please be sure to return them each day in your child's folder.

Homework will go home Monday-Thursday, except on days we have field trips, celebrations or half days. There will be no homework on these days.



## REMINDERS:

- ICE-POPS ARE SOLD EACH DAY FOR \$0.50
- OUR SCHOOL IS COLLECTING BOX TOPS AND SOUP LABELS.
- PLEASE BRING A FILLED WATER BOTTLE AND A SNACK TO SCHOOL EACH DAY
- PLEASE CONTINUE TO USE YOUR NAME CARDS IN THE CAR AT PICK-UP TIME.
- PLEASE – NO LEFT TURNS OUT OF THE LOT AT DISMISSAL TIME

## UPCOMING DATES:

Tues., 2/7/12	Moran & Crawford Field trip
Wed., 2/8/12	Rey & Wiles Field trip
Thurs., 2/16/12	Picture Day

**Snack shack/concession stand** is open on Thursdays. Please see our website for a menu. Write the item(s) your child would like to purchase, and place it with the money in a sealed plastic bag in your child's homework folder.

## PIZZA FRIDAYS

Please consider volunteering for Pizza Fridays. Contact our PTA or the front office for further details.

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## FIELD TRIP

Our next field trip will be to the South Florida Science Museum. Mrs. Moran and Mrs. Crawford will visit on February 7<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Wiles and Mrs. Rey will visit on February 8<sup>th</sup>. ALL students should bring a bag lunch that is completely disposable for the field trip. Please do not send any money with your child – we will NOT be visiting the gift shop. Permission slips are due immediately. Contact your teacher if you are able to chaperone.

## WE'RE AUTHORS!

We hope you will consider purchasing these one-of-kind books. Kindergarten students contributed to the North America book, and are completely responsible for the ABC's of Europe book. North America will be published in January, and ABC's of Europe is scheduled for May.

Warmly,

Ms. Wiles, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Moran, & Mrs. Rey  
(Your Kindergarten Team)

