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Hello Parents,

Just a few reminders of the upcoming events in March:

Friday, 3/22 is a teacher planning day. It is also the end of the 3rd Nine Weeks.

Monday 3/25-3/28 is Spring Break! Our school will be open for non-instructional days.

Friday 3/29 is Good Friday. Our school will be CLOSED.

This week for language arts and reading our question of the week was "What are sounds? How are they made?" Our vocabulary words were scrambles, suddenly, volume, senses, distracts, nervous, and squeaky. We also read two realistic fiction stories titled "Whistles for Willie," and "Now, What is That Sound?" Students remember that realistic fiction is a fiction story but can happen in real life. We discussed finding the problem, the steps to the solution, and the solution to each story. Our spelling words had the diphthong sounds/ou/ and /ow/ like in pout and cow. They caught on to this sound easily. We also discussed adding the endings -er and -est to some words to describe 2 or more things. For grammar we worked on identifying the right time to use a, an, this, and that in a sentence. As always our test was on Friday. Next week we will finish Unit 5 before starting Unit 6 AFTER spring break. That will be our final unit!

In math, we completed our review/test on Chapter 9 on Monday followed by our actual test on Tuesday. On Wednesday, we began with Chapter 10. This chapter is all about 3-dimensional shapes. The shapes we will be discussing are cube, cone, cylinder, rectangular prism, square pyramid, and sphere. The first lesson was about identifying the shapes that have curved or flat surfaces. A lot of students remembered this from last year. Impressive! We will be discussing the 3D shapes' faces, edges, and vertices. Next week we will continue with Chapter 10.

This week we finished our Unit 3 in social studies. We previously started this unit a couple of weeks back. This unit is the start of economics. Crazy, I know! But, they understood and had so many more questions about money. We learned that there are producers, sellers, and buyers. We learned about making choices with money. For example, choosing to save their money or spending it on things they may want but not need. We reviewed what a good is and what a service is. We finished the lesson by illustrating a producer, seller, and buyer. Their drawings were so beautiful! We also drew a poster for a good we can find in our classroom like pencils, painting set, books, and putting a price on it. Next week we will go back to our science book.

We finished the week by celebrating St. Patrick's Day. We wore green, had a fun Lucky Charm math activity, a Leprechaun writing activity, and story time. The leprechaun even brought us some fun accessories!!

Have a beautiful weekend,
Ms. Adriana