



Corbitt Connection

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February 4, 2013 ~ Happy 100th Day!



February Resource Schedule

P.E.: 5th, 11th, 22nd & 26th

Music: 8th & 21st

Art: 20th

Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day will be here before we know it. For those who would like to send in Valentine cards and/or candy this can be done on Thursday, February 14 (or before, and I will hold them). If you decide to send in cards and/or candy, please be sure that one is included for every child. Student names include:

Adaria	Alissa	Ashlyn	Bailey
Cole	Emily	Ja'liyah	Jayden
Joseph	Kade	Kasey	Kate
Noah	Wayne	Zachary	

Scholastic Book Orders

Today your child is bringing home two Scholastic book orders. Please do NOT feel obligated to purchase anything I just wanted to present you with the opportunity. If you decide to purchase any materials please send in a check made out to "Scholastic Book Club" with your order form by Friday, February 22nd. ☺

"What Can I Do at Home?"

This year your child has been exposed to a variety of genres and text. It is important that your child is able to read and glean information from all types of text. This week's tip is for you to begin reading informational text to and with your child. Some examples of informational texts include: letters, journals, diaries, magazine articles, newspaper articles, brochures, website pages, consumer documents, editorials, and even encyclopedia articles. The more familiar your child is with these types of texts the better he/she will understand these types of texts.

Important Dates to Remember

February 6	Early Dismissal @ 1:45 p.m.
February 14	Valentine's Day <3
February 15	Spelling Test

What's Hoppin' Academically

Reader's Workshop

This week we will look at how understanding the structure of nonfiction (and its text features) can help us to comprehend what we read.

The students are also bringing home their updated DRA information. Knowing your child's reading level is very important when helping him/her find "just right" books.

Writer's Workshop

This week we will begin our Report writing genre. The students will choose a topic and then begin the research process.

Skills Block

This week the students will get their next set of *Words their Way* spelling words for their Friday, February 15th test. We will also look at analyzing words in texts to determine their meaning as we focus on building our vocabulary.

Math

This week we will continue our geometry and measurement unit. We will focus on perimeter, which we practiced every day in the month of January (for 20 days) during calendar math. This is the last piece of this unit and our next topic is fractions!

Science & Social Studies

We will continue our time in Social Studies this week as we learn about communities in history. The students will also choose a famous African American in history for their Black History Month projects. Project information is coming home this Wednesday. Science is still on a break.

Homework Schedule

Monday: Math *

Tuesday: Math *

Wednesday: Spelling *

Thursday: Math *

*EACH night your child should also read for a minimum of **30 minutes** and practice the multiplication facts. Remember the quizzes will be timed so the facts must be answered quickly!