

# BE THE CHANGE

Miss Atkins' Weekly Newsletter  
February 12, 2018

**Benchmark Testing-** I am so proud of how hard everyone worked on our reading benchmark, using strategies we have practiced all year and taking their time to do their best. In a few weeks, we will review the questions in class and scores will come home in signed papers next week. This week we will conclude our benchmark testing with our math assessments on Wednesday and Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>.

**Valentine's Day** – We will be exchanging valentines on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. Any student wishing to participate must bring a valentine for every student in the class. You will find a list of the 27 student names on the back of this newsletter.

**Coin Collection** - Students are collecting spare change for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Small collection boxes came home last Friday. With each donation made our students are helping to be someone's super hero. In honor of this we will be having Super Hero Day on Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Students are encouraged to wear a super hero shirt or cape. Thank you for your continued support as we "Be the Change".

**Other Fundraisers** - We are still in the middle of our Denim Drive. If you are discarding items (pants, shirts, skirts, jackets, etc.) made of denim, please send them in as our class works to be February's winning class. And we continue to earn Dollars for Dough each time you order Papa John's pizza with the checkout code SPES.

## Mark Your Calendar

February 12 – Report cards go home

February 13 – Spring Picture Day (Class Pictures are to be preordered - \$9)

February 14 – Valentine Exchange

February 16 – Super Hero Spirit Day

February 19 – Full day of school (This is a change.)

February 20 – PTA Meeting/3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Performs

## IN THE CLASSROOM

### LANGUAGE ARTS:

This week, we will continue to work on making inferences and drawing conclusions with specific vocabulary chosen to express dialogue. We will also see how characters change and determine lessons that can be taught from these characters. Student will have their final SE literature circle meeting on Tuesday and will take comprehension tests and turn in folders on Friday. Students are finishing up their last book review and have started an entertaining story inspired by the Olympics.

### MATH:

We will review for this week's math benchmark early in the week along with continuing our work with fractions. Students are currently working to add and subtract mixed numbers. Please be sure students are reviewing their notes often.

### SCIENCE/ SOCIAL STUDIES:

We are learning all about animal cells and animal classifications, using dichotomous keys and identifying adaptations. Students recently created a cell city/store in class and will work with several activities on the computer this week. Our final assessment is planned for Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Students will continue to work on their cell project at home. **This project is due Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

## OUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Lunch: 11:10- 11:40

Recess: 10:35- 11:05

Monday: PE 12:40- 1:10

Tuesday: Art 12:25- 1:10

Wednesday: Music 12:40- 1:10

Thursday: PE 12:40-1:10

Friday: Chorus 12:40- 1:10



**Miss Atkins' Class List**

Brianna

Zack

Sara

Sean

Tucker

Kadin

Amir

Kimberlly

Jaymz

Ashwaq

Destini

Mason

Blake

Duncan

Aniyah

Carter

Karis

Melanie

Madison

Renner

Makyra

Johnnie

Caiden

Jace

Hawwa

Caleb

Olivia