

February 26, 2010

Dear Students and Parents,

Upcoming Events:

- Thursday March 4th 7:00 p.m.: 3-5 Arts Informance at Cantrick School
- Friday March 5th: Book Orders Due

Literacy: This week in Writer's Workshop the students worked on publishing their final drafts. On Monday, the students will be illustrated their final copy. The Writer's Celebration will be on Tuesday of next week. This is an exciting time where the students get to share their Small Moment with the class. This week in Reader's Workshop, the students have been looking at character traits. We have been looking at the actions, dialogue and connections of characters to find traits about them. A reading log will be coming home next week. On Tuesday, we will also be watching the movie, The City of Ember. This is a great opportunity for the students to compare the director's interpretation with the vision of the author.

Religion: In Religion this week we looked at artistic interpretations of Mary. The students have been working on a Chapter 5 and 6 Study Guide. We will be going over this in class on Monday and they will have the Chapter 5 and 6 Test on Tuesday.

Science: This week in Science, the students have been investigating solar and lunar eclipses. As a class we discovered the causes of each of these events. The next unit we will be looking at is environments and living organisms.

Social Studies: In Social Studies, the students have finished most of their colonial newspaper articles. Next week, we will be working on finishing our newspapers and presenting them to the class.

Word Study: This week we focused on the spelling bee as a class. The fifth graders get to decide if they would like to participate in the Spelling Bee next week. There will not be a spelling test next week, since we have been working with the spelling bee words.

Have a safe and wonderful weekend.

Sincerely,

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