Ms. Hahn's Classroom Newsletter

Math

This past week the students continued to learn about fractions. We focused on fractions of a set. The students solved like the following: There are 12 pencils. ¹/₄ of the pencils are blue. How many pencils are blue?

Next week the students will work on putting fractions on a number line. The fractions will have the same denominator or numerator when they are put on the number line. You can help your child by giving them two fractions and asking them which is larger and asking why it is bigger.

Highlights from the School Website

- Mr. Krueger showing the class science experiments. A big thank you goes to Mr. Krueger for taking time out of his day to show the class exciting science experiments.
- Pictures from science
- Meet our students posts
- PARCC information

Reading

Reading was cut short this week due to no school on Monday, two assemblies, and early release.

Students were given time to read their fiction book for their choice board. The choice board is due Feb. 10th. It is important that students read at least half of the book to do the assignments.

This week the students completed another PARCC reading practice test. Taking the practice tests helps students become familiar with the type of questions on the PARCC test.

Social Studies, Science

This past week the students began learning about pioneer lifestyle. They learned that pioneers traveled in wagons pulled by mules, oxen, or horses. We measured out the size of a wagon in the classroom and discussed what would be inside the wagon. Ask your child what pioneers would bring inside the wagon. Many students were surprised to learn that many pioneers walked for months to get to their destination. Next week we will continue to learn about pioneers.

Last week our focus was social studies not science. Next week we will learn about rocks and minerals in science.

Field Trip

A permission slip was sent home for our field trip to the play "Frindle". The play is February 13. The cost is \$14. If you need another permission slip, please ask or check the school website.

Valentine's Day Party

The students will have a Valentine's Day party on February 13 about 2:00. If students make Valentine's Day cards, they need to make one for every student in class. During the party the children will make Valentine's bags to hold the valentines, decorate cookies, play a game, pass out valentines, and enjoy some food. I am asking for donations for the party. Please consider donating items for the party. You can sign up for items by clicking on the link below.

Valentine's Day Party Sign Up

Email Addresses

If your email address has changed or you would like another email address to receive the class emails, please email <u>lhahn@pccharterschool.org</u> and/or <u>tsteinbeck@pccharterschool.org</u>.

Upcoming Events

February 13- Field Trip, Valentine's Day Party

February 16- No School

February 18- Early Release

February 25- Farm To Table

Big Bluestem Award

Please encourage your child to read books from the Big Bluestem list. The new class read aloud book is <u>Shiloh</u>.

Green Challenge Design Green

This month the school is focusing on Designing Green for the Green Challenge. The students will learn about different features our building has that makes it a "Green School".