**Social Studies** 

We will be starting American History. Our first unit is "Making the Constitution." Our lessons will include Revolution leads to change, writing the Constitution, approving the Constitution, and taking a closer look at the Constitution.

## Saxon Math 3

Math lessons for the week will include writing #s to 1,000 using words, and multiples of 100, problem solving, time to the minute, Homework will be coming home nightly Monday-Thursday. Parents need to check homework, and it needs to be brought back to school the next day

## **Exciting News**

We are continuing with timed Facts tests. ALL students have passed addition and subtraction!! 6 students are on mixed multiplication, 2 students on mixed division, and 14 students are completely finished with all facts! WOW!! This class is amazing! Keep studying fact cards to build the automaticity. Fact homework will come home most nights. Please time your child and then have them complete the rest of the paper. It is a friendly competition. When a student passes a test, the whole class cheers for them. Very Exciting!! Star of the Weel Addison

"Star of the week" may bring in up to 12 pictures to **staple** to the "Star" board and 3-4 items that they would like to share that are special to them. Parents are invited to attend the presentation on Thursday at 2:50 due to Award's Assembly on Friday. Make sure to have a funny story ready to tell about your child.

## **Best Behaved Class**

For those of you not at the Award's Assembly, I have some exciting news. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade received the Spirit Stick for Best Behaved Class. We will keep the stick until next 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. These little guys definitely deserve that award.



2<sup>nd</sup> grade will start cursive next week. It is a slow process. When cursive homework starts, please see that your child is taking their time and not rushing through it. I will send home a cursive template... keep it in a safe place as a guide to help your child with homework. Do not work ahead on cursive at home. I will be teaching the proper formation of each letter. It is much easier to learn it when it's new than to change bad habits.

Cursive

## Language Arts

We will finish the story "Fossils Tell of Long Ago" Our focus will be main idea & details, monitoring comprehension, predicting, and making connections. We will also be working on reading passages using reformatting and mentally summarizing to find the implied main idea. Quality Literature lessons will include precise lang., emotional appeal, insight, universality, and content. Reading homework: We will have a normal baggy book/BOC homework. Spelling homework: The spelling list came home today. On the back of the weekly spelling list, I have added information for you about the spelling rules. There will be spelling homework nightly. The directions are on the homework. It needs to be done and signed every night and sent back to school the following day. Please make sure your child is using their neatest writing. The test will be on Friday

Important Dates Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>—Planet Report Organizer

Due-Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> —No School-MLK Jr. Birthday

Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> —January Poem "Leisure" due to be recited. Sorry, we didn't get to it last week so in will come home this week. Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> —Ice Fishing will be the week of Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>. I do not have a set date yet, but I will let you know as soon as I do. I will need a lot of volunteers, but no need to contact me yet. Permission slips will come home as soon as I know a date.