January 27, 2014

Dear Parents,

All science fair projects are **due on Monday, February 10th**. If you are helping your child complete their project at home, please note that there may be various times during the week that your child may work on this project and should bring science folder to school each day.

I would like to stress the importance of multiplication fact memorization once again. Students who have not mastered their facts will very often fall behind in math (and other subjects that use math) and begin to lose confidence. Studies have shown that memorizing the math facts frees up the part of the brain that students use for logical thinking, thus allowing them to focus on the problem at hand. Memorizing the math facts has also been shown to boost a student's confidence and reduce their fears and anxiety about math. Please practice with your child!

Current event is due no later than Wednesday, February 5th. Topic is “International” news.

Biography Book Report is due no later than Wednesday, February 19th. Paper for the project is located in the classroom and students may help themselves once they have finished reading and are ready to begin working on the timeline.

The Chili Cook-Off scheduled for Friday was cancelled but please mark the Rodeo Pancake Breakfast on your calendar, Wednesday, February 19th!

As always, thank you for sharing your children with me! They are truly one of kind, each of them, in their own special way. ☺