

May 27, 2010

Dear Families,

Can you believe the end of the year is approaching?!

We just wanted to remind you that this Friday is Field day! Dismissal will be at the usual spot at 1pm. Also, please have your child bring in a non-perishable bag lunch (no nuts or seeds) as we will be eating outside. They should also bring a water bottle or drink labeled with their name on it. This year, t-shirts will be given out to all students and faculty. We are all heading to the High School prior to the field to have a ribbon cutting now that construction is finished. The t-shirts are uniform and say "ribbon cutting" so no colored shirts are required this year. Your child is free to change into this shirt at school or wear it over the shirt they arrive in. Also, it is important for your child to wear comfortable sneakers. We encourage your child to put on sunscreen before school as well.

In math we have just started to learn about fractions. Students are currently thinking about ways to evenly share a brownie between different amounts of friends. Students should continue to study their multiplication facts.

In writing, students are working on developing a character and problem for their realistic fiction writing. We have also been practicing reading with fluency and expression using short plays, which the students will perform for each other this week. They have taken the initiative to build and bring in costumes and props to add another layer to their plays. They seem very excited and invested in this project and we can't wait to see the results of their hard work.

We continue to work in small committees to build our model of New Amsterdam. The model will be on display in the classroom if you'd like to take a look.

Lastly, next week's spelling words are:

access

excess

addition

edition

affect

effect

continual

continuous

farther

further

disinterested

uninterested

Have a wonderful Memorial Day weekend! We'll see you Tuesday.

Warmest wishes (84 degrees to be specific!),

Dot and Becka