

## Week of February 3, 2020

**Important Reminders/Information:** \* An E-mail went out last week regarding our "Kindness and Compliments Party" being held in our room on Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. A BIG thank you goes out to those of you that already signed up to bring something in. If I do not have an E-mail address on file, you did not receive the E-mail to sign up. If you would like to bring something in, please send in a note or Call me at Rainbow to let me know what you are interested in sending in. \* Too many students are failing to turn in their Weekly Reading Log. PLEASE ask your child every day if he/she read for at least 30 minutes. I would highly recommend checking his/her log every day/evening to ensure they are keeping up with their responsibilities. Remember...the more your child reads, the more they will GROW as readers. \* February is Black History Month. Each week in the month of February, I will attach a weekly glance at the topics we will be covering.

**Reading Workshop:** This week the students will work in identifying the main idea in both fiction and nonfiction. I will be using a variety of activities that will get the students moving around and collaborating with their peers. Main idea is a skill that is higher level and requires a great deal of work as a reader. You can help at home by asking them what they think the main idea of an episode of their favorite show was. Even better would be asking the main idea of a book they are reading at home!

Grammar: This week we will CONTINUE to focus on synonyms (words that mean the same/almost the same) and antonyms (words that have opposite meaning). We will be using a Thesaurus and <u>www.thesaurus.com</u> to help us identify synonyms and antonyms of words.

**Social Studies:** This week we are going to continue our exploration of the Northeast region of the United States. The students are excited to learn about the geography and climate this week. They should also study the states in the Northeast, including their abbreviations, capitals, and locations on a map. This will be part of their end-of-unit assessment.

**Mathematics:** We will be wrapping up Unit 5 this week. We will be working on multiplication and division of fractions. Please continue to help your child on his/her homework and reach out to me with any questions or concerns. As always, my biggest recommendation I can give you is to read the Family Letters that go home at the beginning of each new unit. Next week we will be going BACK to Unit 4 (I said we would be jumping around a bit) to work on decimals.



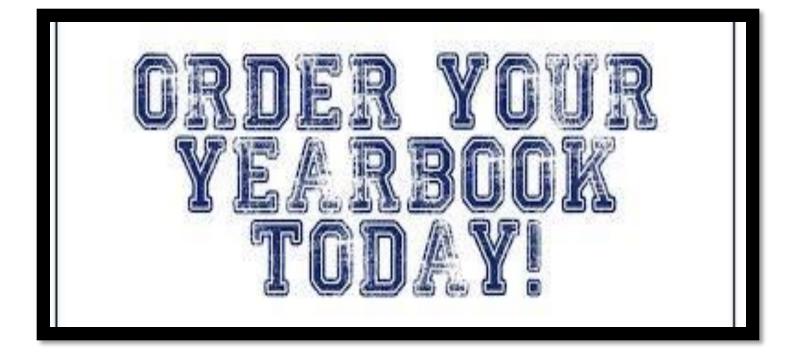
Miss Mathisen's Class



This week's special schedule... Monday (Day 1): Music Tuesday (Day 2): Art Wednesday (Day 3): Library Thursday (Day 4): PE Friday (Day 5): PE The Student of the Week is: Aldan S

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT RAINBOW

February 7<sup>th</sup>: Prismatic Laser Assembly (2:00 PM) February 12<sup>th</sup>: Reading Mavens (read to younger grades) February 12<sup>th</sup>: Variety Show Practice (3:45-5:45) February 13<sup>th</sup>: Kindness & Compliments Party February 14<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>: **No School** February 19<sup>th</sup>: Variety Show Practice (3:45-5:45)



No pictures this week! Check back next week! 😇

