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# IMPORTANT DATES

<u>April 29th:</u> Field trip to Mizzou

May 8th = Planetarium at Rock Bridge Highschool (No parents needed)

May 14th = Runge Field Trip 9-2:30pm

May 26th = No School: Memorial Day

May 28th = Poetry Café (more details to come...volunteers will be needed)

May 29th = Minute to
Win It Games (more
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# Information and Events

# I look forward to seeing everyone at the Comet Carnival tonight from 5-8pm!!!

- \* <u>Mizzou Field Trip:</u> We will be going to Mizzou on Tuesday, April 29th for a field trip. While on campus we will be touring the entomology, reptile, geology, and conservation hall museums. We will also eat lunch on campus, get a tour of Buck's ice cream, and enjoy a sample of ice cream. Make sure that your child wears appropriate shoes. Also, as the day gets closer, please keep an eye on the weather and dress accordingly. We will be on campus from 9:30-1:30.
- \* <u>Schedules:</u> Team Ronzio seems to be pretty active this spring. If you would like to share any sporting or event schedules with Ms. Ronzio, she would love to come cheer you on and support you outside of the classroom!
- \* <u>Runge Field Trip:</u> We are in need of TWO more parent chaperones for our Runge trip on Wednesday, May 14th. See the letter inside your child's Friday folder if you are interested in join us on this awesome field trip!
- \* <u>Poetry Cafe:</u> In May, Team Ronzio will be studying and writing various types of poems. We will have a poetry café where students will read either their favorite poem or a poem they wrote. This will occur on Wednesday, May 28th from 1:20-2:00pm. In the café we will have snacks and drinks for the students and parents/guardians. I will need volunteers to help me set up the classroom while the students are at specials (12:50ish). More information will come later.
- \* Minute to Win It: All of second grade will be celebrating the end of the year by participating in Minute to Win It games during the morning of Thursday, May 29th. We will need volunteers to help set up, run, and clean up the games. More information will come later.







### What We've Been Boing







Math: In math Team Ronzio finished our unit over place value with numbers from 1-1,000. Students should be able to skip count by 5s, 10s, and 100s to 1,000 as well as compare numbers with >,=, and < symbols. We also worked on identifying patterns on the hundreds charts as well as ordering numbers from least to greatest and greatest to least. Team Ronzio took a short assessment over these areas on Friday.

We also started "MAD MINUTE" tests. These are timed paper and pencil tests over addition and subtraction facts. Students will need to receive a 90% or higher on their final fact assessment to be marked as proficient with their addition and subtraction facts. The mad minute tests will help us get ready for the final assessment in May where students will have 3 minutes to complete 60 problems.

Writing: Team Ronzio continued to work on their strong opinion pieces this week. On Tuesday, April 22nd (Earth Day) we watched The Lorax and discussed ways we can keep our Earth clean and healthy. Students then wrote three ways they promise to help the Earth (see the pictures of our writing on the website this weekend). Team Ronzio is also working on an opinion piece about their role models...stay tuned for final drafts!

Reading: In shared reading we have been working on visualization. Team Ronzio read different poems and then took the time to draw out the mental images that developed in their mind. If was interesting to see how our mental pictures were different from the author's illustrations as well as our peers.

<u>Science:</u> For science Team Ronzio continued the ecosystem unit by discussing plant adaptations. We conducted a waxed leaf experiment with sponges, petroleum jelly, and water. Ask you child what they learned about the wax leaf adaptation. Next week we will discuss animal adaptations.

<u>Word Study</u>: This week in word study we started talking about adjectives. We developed positive adjectives to describe ourselves as well as our teammates. Look on our website for our positive posters. The posters are also in your child's Friday folder so they can hang it in their bedroom and remind themselves how special and awesome they are! We also talked about how to be a good friend...check out our wrinkled heart activity on our website.