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IMPORTANT DATES

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

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

May 26th = No School: Memorial Day

<u>May 28th</u> = Poetry Café 1:20-2:20

May 29th = Minute to
Win It Games (more
details to
come...volunteers will
be needed)

June 5th: Last day of school Early Dismissal at 12:50pm



Information and Events

- * Thank you to everyone who volunteered to chaperone the Mizzou field trip! A great time was had by all. Check out pictures from our trip on our class website under "Classroom Happenings."
- * <u>Planetarium Field Trip:</u> On Thursday, May 8th, Team Ronzio will be visiting Rock Bridge High school's Planetarium. We will be traveling to the high school and watching the show with Ms. Gutshall and Mrs. Gilliland's classes.
- * Runge Field Trip: On Wednesday, May 14th, Paxton Keeley's second grade will go on their last field trip of the year to Runge Nature Center in Jefferson City. We will also enjoy a picnic lunch at North Jefferson Recreational Area. As the date gets closer, keep an eye out for the weather and make sure to dress appropriately! Thank you to all of our parents who volunteered to be chaperones
- * <u>Poetry Cafe:</u> As we finish up opinion writing, Team Ronzio will start 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 1:20-2:20pm. 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 (12:45ish). Please e-mail me if you are interested in helping to set up.
- * 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.













<u>Math</u>: In math Team Ronzio started a new unit over measurement. We had an awesome discussion about nonstandard units of measurement, which led to a discussion about why standard units of measurement are important. Students have been working with partners on scavenger hunts to measure various objects around the room with nonstandard units of measurement.

Writing: We continue to work on opinion pieces during our writing workshop. This week Team Ronzio focused on different types of introductions that "hook" our readers. We also focused on writing endings that restate our opinion and bring closure to our piece. Some topics Team Ronzio formed opinions about were: Whether or not to climb the beanstalk in Jack and the Beanstalk and whether or not they should wear school uniforms.

Reading: Due to our crazy schedule this week with field trips and Ms. Ronzio being absent for a professional development day, Team Ronzio worked on reading passages and answering specific comprehension questions about what they read. We also reviewed how to preview, read, and pull out important information from nonfiction texts.

<u>Science</u>: For science Team Ronzio decided that they will be studying the Ocean as their class ecosystem. We generated a chart of plants and animals that live in the ocean. Next week we will be creating plants and animals and researching their various adaptations. Throughout May check out our website to see how room 202 will be transformed into an ocean!

<u>Word Study</u>: This week in word study we learned about contractions. We learned that contractions are a shortened form of two words joined together by an apostrophe. We will continue to study contractions next week and have a spelling test on Friday, May 9th.