

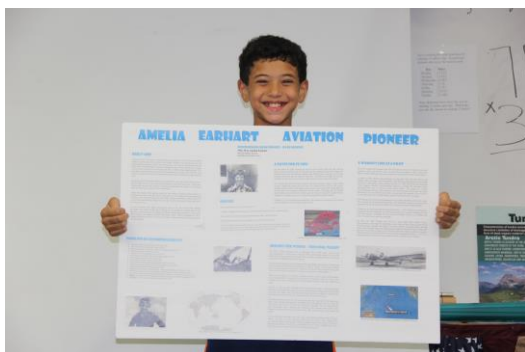
# The Jarrett Report

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## Biography Book Reports

On Friday most children presented their Biography Book Reports. I enjoy seeing the creativity in my students and many were definitely shining on this project. I learned many new facts and that is always a plus!



## Eco-System Invention Due Thursday!!!!!!

Our next invention which is due Thursday is a plant hugger invention. Students will create a device that is either helpful to or decorative to a specific ecosystem of their choosing. Looking into current event issues can help spur on ideas of current needs for ecological help. Students can create prototypes or small scale models to explain their ideas.

## Student Led Goal Setting Conferences

On Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, we will have our student led conferences in the media center from 7:30- 9:20. Each child will share what they have been working on as well as goals they have set. You will review and help modify goals as needed. This is a very valuable conference for you and your child to take ownership of what they are doing and where they are going. For students at Sound of Sea I will set up another date for your conferences.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054daf82ba75-1stquarter2>

## Science

Last week we completed Eco chambers at school and began an in-depth look at ways man harms the environment. We also evaluated food web websites. This week we will look at how changing something in the food web effects the balance in the ecosystem. Students will also be taking an end of unit Ecosystems Test that the County created. I will be sending home a study sheet early this week.



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## Dojo Pizza

The Dojo Lunch was very successful and for the most part this past week was significantly better. I know it seems kind of silly to have a point for each hallway walk, but we were having significant issues there and this past week with the exception of a few it was great! There were a few things we discovered this week, one of which the specialists kind of sabotaged my attempts at the numbers because instead of giving the kids 1 point when they awarded them, they gave them 5 in some cases. There are also other ways that children earn points so as a class we decided that expected points in the future will be 30 or more a day average. I believe the children loved the freedom to sit where they wanted, order their favorite pizza and talk during lunch. This is definitely a keeper. Our next Dojo Lunch will be September 29<sup>th</sup>.



## Up Coming Event

- ❖ **September 21<sup>st</sup> - Ecosystem Invention Due**
- ❖ **September 22<sup>nd</sup> – Harris Teeter Trip- Math**
- ❖ September 28<sup>th</sup> – Student Led Conferences 7:30-9:20 Media Center
- ❖ September 28<sup>th</sup> – Dojo Lunch
- ❖ September 29<sup>th</sup> - Early Release - Track Out Day

*\*Please note that I update this list weekly. There are many tests not listed yet, because I am not exactly sure where they will fall until we get closer to the date.*

## Math

We will be working with adding and subtracting decimals using models and number lines. Some children continue to struggle with place value. They must be able to name and identify place value from the billions to the hundred thousandths place. The biggest issue I see is that children do not know basic place value and when you make it more complex that just compounds the problem. **[I have added 3 videos to help reteach or help parents understand what we are doing in math on the homework page on the website under Monday.](#)**