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Spaghetti Lunch

The first invention that students are to create is a device to eat spaghetti with other than the everyday utensils. We will be eating our lunch this **Friday August 24th**.

I am very excited to see the creative genius of this group of children. Suggestion: Wear something that spaghetti stains won't show or wear a bib!

Math

Last week we began our study of volume. The children worked with linking blocks to create rectangular prisms of varying sizes and determine the volume. Several children are struggling with the concept. I am linking several videos here to help with the problem.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a7g9kg1fQ-c> – Mine Craft

https://learnzillion.com/lesson_plans/6483-find-volume-by-counting-cubes/



Due to the Early Release on Friday I was not able to get the tests back to them. I did let the kids who made 100% know. Kids will get tests back on Monday. Please remember that children are allowed to rework all work for a better grade except multiple choice tests. Those we would have to negotiate some sort of

activity/project to replace the grade. They must write an explanation as to why they made the error for each problem. I look very favorably upon those that redo work they have made error on. All students received their math test on Friday in hopes they would make corrections over the weekend.



Recycling

Friday was our first day of recycling this year. They did an excellent job recycling the entire school! I overheard one of the children state, "This is the best job I have ever had!"



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Science

This past week we studied the skeletal system. I am hoping that many of you have been taught by your child/Human Body System expert about the skeletal system. If you have not, please check to see that they are teaching someone. I was very pleased with the improvement in the science vocabulary tests this week. I am hoping to see the studying trend continue! This week we will focus on the muscular system. Please remember that your child is doing the **Human Body Project – Teaching the Human Body**. The students will be TEACHING someone else what they have learned in science each week. It is probably best done on Friday or the weekend with a parent or older sibling. They will be required to teach concepts of the system that we are learning about that week. The "Student" will have to sign off about the 3 concepts that they learned as well. I think this will be a great way to help them cement some of the basic ideas of each system as well. Students should have taught someone about the skeletal system by Monday.



1.01 Describe and compare several common ecosystems (communities of organisms and their interaction with the environment).

USJ Shirt

T-Shirt Design will be selected this week. **Shirts can't be ordered** until all of the money is completely collected. **The cost of the shirt will be \$12.00.** Please indicate the size needed for the shirt. This allows us to have 2 colors printed on the front of the shirt. If anyone could help out with the cost of an additional shirt for those children in need of assistance it would be greatly appreciated. If sending a check please make it out to DRES.

Language Arts - EL

The children are enjoying Esperanza Rising. It is a great book and is allowing us to learn vocabulary in Spanish and allowing other children to share their languages as well. In our class we are also being exposed to Korean as well as Arabic translations! What a Global classroom we have! This is a very deep curriculum and we are currently comparing Esperanza Rising to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights Document. It is the hope that all children are also reading about Human Rights- in various forms. The objective is to look more Globally and realize that there are issues all over the world and that we as humans need to protect the rights of all people regardless of race, creed or color. We will be taking a mid-unit assessment on Monday as well as throughout the week assessing discussions about reading to cover the speaking and listening objectives.

Economics/\$\$

We have been studying about savings and spending. Looking at how important savings is so that you can get what you want in the future. We will be looking a National Budget this week.

Up Coming Events

- **August 23rd – Spaghetti Inventions Due**
- **August 24th – Spaghetti Lunch 1:15**
- September 3rd – Labor Day No School
- September 24th – Human Body Project Due
- September 28th - 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. * Every Friday we have a math 4- Today Test & a Science vocabulary test. Every Thursday we have a Greek & Latin test. I do not list this routine type of testing in the upcoming events.

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NEEDED

https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/VYRM3HTB6IGY/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_2 Please note that the books on this wish list are books that we would really love for 1st quarter. The new curriculum suggests these titles and they would be awesome, just no money in budget to get them. 1 or 2 copies of each title is what I am aiming for to share with the children. This quarter all books deal with human rights in a variety of settings.

- Soda for Math Tests
- Crickets for reptiles

