

Ms. Chelsea's Message in a Bottle

(from the "non-shipwrecked" S.S. Gr 2)

April 29th, 2016!



Anchors Aweigh!

Still surfing... Please continue to help your Sea Lion celebrate their presence on "Screen-Free" Island!

On May 2-8, children, families, and communities around the world will rediscover the joys of life beyond the screen. Unplug from digital entertainment and spend your free time playing, reading, daydreaming, creating, exploring, and connecting with family and friends.

*except for work and school assignments

Check out the TIPS assignment (sent home via hard copy & electronically) for details on how HLA is getting involved. We hope you too will help your sea lion gather data so our class can monitor their progress. (The new screen-free log will go home Monday.)

**Get additional ideas and inspiration on how and what you can do during screen-free week at <http://www.screenfree.org/>

On another sail, this upcoming week we will start Literature Circle group projects. Most of the assignments for the project will be done in class (during ELA time), however materials needed for the respective project will need to be gathered from home. Put on your swim trunks, as a culminating group project will be on deck for Friday! More details in the upcoming Loxodograph.



Please ask your sea lion about this week's "Posh Port Holes":

*No FSA testing this week! Things were back to normal...

*Shapes test

*Second to last auction

*eating and wearing our homophones!

*Vocab beach balls!

*Word of the Week: Unique



Treasured Dates:

April 29th

Yearbook orders are due! (Only \$12.75)

April 25 - May 1

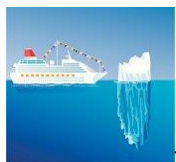
Regular Screening week

May 2 - 8

Screen-Free Week

Thursday May 26th

Living History Museum Parent Night



Tip of the Iceberg:

The May Parent Night will be a Living Museum in which the sea lions will dress up and pose as wax figures that come alive at "the push of a button." Our sea lions will be researching folktales and significant figures related to their ancestry/folktales or a

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culture/folktale which is interesting to them. We will be creating masks which tell a story (kind of like a story cloth, but through a mask) and memorizing talking points. **More info to come out next week as I want the sea lions to focus on their Lit Circle projects first!

Please spend some time this weekend and throughout next week researching (or telling) folktales from your chosen area of the world. You will discover just how easy it is to have a story come to life!



Birthday "Shell"-ebrations for this week: Laurel!!! We will be celebrating all things Laurel throughout the week, with a culminating activity this Friday.

Deck Swabbin':



**Perplexing words from our Literature Circle books!

Please ask your sea lion to show you his/her list.

All words were chosen during Literature Circle group and based on difficulty to pronounce or define.

We will try to identify phonics rules and mark their words in class on Monday.

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