

# Ms. Chelsee's Message in a Bottle

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

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015



## Anchors Aweigh!

We had an amazing 6th week of school! Our Sea Lions got to experience having a substitute teacher (Ms. Casey) for the first time this year. Substitute reviews were positive! Way to take **responsibility** Sea Lions! On another note, accolades to those of you who came out to the SRA Training and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade parent meeting! Great info was shared! Most of this newsletter addresses the info, comments, concerns and suggestions made at those meetings. Read on to find out more!



## Waving Flippers & Fins!!!

THANKS AGAIN to Tuesday's "Deep Sea Fisher-people" who helped our school of fish with SRA & Center time in Language Arts, the "Sanitizing Sea Urchins" for our weekly classroom and yoga mat cleansing, and "Behind the Scene Voyagers" who are helping and contributing in countless ways off school property. Much appreciated! Thank you to everyone for turning in your TIPS homework via email and your progress reports via "diving packs!" You are doing a great job! The Sea Lions enjoy being rewarded from our deep sea treasure box because of you! Keep it up!



## Homework:

As a reminder in regards to our school of fish homework:

Your child needs to make his/her spelling flash cards over the weekend. Please have them write each word largely and neatly on a separate index card (on the lined side). I will attach a "cheat sheet" which addresses how to mark the words for that particular week. You are welcome to mark them over the weekend. We will then review the spelling words and how to mark them on Monday. This (spelling cards) will most always be the only weekend homework assignment. \*\*Unless you choose to "demurage" and do the entire "Nautical HW Loxodograph" (HW Packet) on the weekend. \*\* Choice is yours!

The "Nautical HW Loxodograph" given every Monday, includes a recommended homework schedule (a guide to pace yourselves) to include additional spelling work choices, math homework/fact fluency, social studies, science, reading logs, life skills, environmental awareness, health, handwriting sheets, vocabulary, reference material worksheets, typing/emailing/computer work, special assignments and one reading summary (5 sentences/1 paragraph). \*\* Only Math (from the MY Math workbook) will be due Tuesday - Friday. This is approximately 10 problems a night.



## "Ship Shape" Home Folders:

Please remember to "chew the fat" and check your child's homework every night as well as check their purple homework folders daily for important information to bring back or keep at home. I passed out extra note cards to all kiddos who stated they did not have extra at home. These extra notecards can be kept at home. (No need to keep all those extra empty notecards in their backpacks!)



## Treasured Dates:

October 27<sup>th</sup>:

End of first quarter!



## Birthday "Shell"-ebrations:

This upcoming week we will "shell-ebate" Jonathan!

As a reminder during your Anglerfish's Birthday Week (Half- Birthday week for those whose birthday is in the summer), a plethora of opportunities will be available for your fish to take part of:

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"All about Me" Poster and presentation

Show and Tell

Treat/ trinket hand-out (from you)

Organized ½ hour activity to share with the class (in lieu of a "party")

\*\*\*This organized activity will be yours (I and your Anglerfish's) to facilitate. It can be as simple as choosing a favorite book to read to the whole class to as intricate as a guided art/science project. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders are eager and curious to learn about the world around them, how and why we celebrate our uniqueness (like our birthdays)... I know all of you have something special to offer and we would love for you to partake in something you can offer like: your traditions/cultures/languages, a science experiment, cooking concoction, art extravaganza, poetry slam, music mosaic, life skill, social responsibility, movement, drama, etc., etc., etc.!



### Tip of the Iceberg:

We use our outside environment to stay healthy and active at HLA everyday! Add sunscreen to your child's morning routine to keep their skin and body healthy!



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

\*FAIR "testing" with Ms. Chelsee!!!

\*Picture Day!

\*Tech Centers with Mrs. Little!

\*Taking RESPONSIBILITY (Word of the Week)

\*Comparing and contrasting frog eggs to chicken eggs!

\*Observing our beautiful garden I reading (about) The Ugly Vegetables!

\*Enjoying time with the Substitute, Ms. Casey

### "Deck Swabbin' Spelling List"

(Long o and a made by silent e - vs silent e)

spoke

shame

brake

stone

relate

notebook

bone

mistake

brave

chose