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**The Week:** What an odd week this had been! Between the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school, the Publix field trip, and our Valentine's party it felt like we barely had any real school time. We did take our Math test and began learning about fractions. We will continue study fractions next week as well. In Language Arts we began writing our comparison papers on Thurgood Marshall vs. Martin Luther King, Jr.

We will be starting our next Science chapter next week, which will be focused on the sun.

I am adding onto the weekly speed drill assignment in Math. If your child has not progressed past the 3s and 4s facts for multiplication yet, he/she will also be required to complete a blank multiplication table each week. I cannot stress how **IMPERATIVE** it is for these children to memorize their multiplication facts. When they get to 4<sup>th</sup> grade they need to have these things down. Please, please, please practice nightly with your children.

**Word of the Week:** Love. A feeling of strong or constant affection for someone/something. This word was chosen to coincide with Valentine's Day. Mrs. Egan read the children a story throughout the week in morning meeting and in yoga we talked about things we love in life.

**Reminders:**

→ There will be no school **Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>** due to Presidents' Day.

→ Don't forget about the Box Tops competition. All Box Tops will be due by **February 19<sup>th</sup>** and bags need to be labeled with our grade level. The winning class will receive a popcorn party!

→ The annual 5 points of life kids' marathon will be held on **Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**. Register now if you and your child wish to participate.

→ Parent Involvement Night is **Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**.

→ Continue to practice those basic math facts at home, especially multiplication. I will be sending home a new speed drill packet every Tuesday from now on. This packet will be due by the following Monday.

**Trivia Question:** Answer the following question for **10 credits!!!** Write your answer somewhere on this newsletter. Your parents may (and are encouraged) to help you.

“Which sea lies between Greece and Italy?”

Spelling List (Academic Math Words: Fractions)

denominator	equivalent	fraction	numerator	unit fraction
fourths	halves	thirds	partition	fifths

This section is for you! Feel free to write any questions, comments, or concerns you may have. **Please sign and return!**

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