

Mrs. Muessig's Weekly News

February 16, 2018



Language Arts and Reading: This week the students focused on making connections to the text *Crash* while in their reading groups. Next week, we'll be working on summarizing the key points, main highlights, and general idea, of their assigned chapters. In addition, please remind your child to prepare for our test on the novel *Crash*, chapters 15-22. Although this will be an open book quiz, the students need to be familiar with the chapters, and able to give specific evidence and page numbers when answering the questions.

In language arts this week we learned about the Chinese New Year. The students have been researching their Chinese zodiac symbol and the personality traits that those with that symbol are thought to possess. Next, they had to decide if they agreed or disagreed with that description of their personality. Next week, the class will be writing a persuasive essay that will convince the reader that their symbol either; represents them, or they will argue that another symbol fits them better.

*There will be a quiz on adjectives on Wednesday, February 21.

Social Studies: This week we discussed the three Chinese philosophies that emerged after the Warring States Period. At this point the students should be able to describe the three perspectives (Confucianism, Daoism, and Legalism) and give examples of each. Next week, we will be learning about the Qin and Han dynasties and their effects on China.

Reminders and Upcoming Events:

- Please join the KTES Class of 2018 Facebook page to stay updated on the upcoming 6th grade Moving Up Ceremony and party.
- **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH...** School is closed for President's Day, Please note that school is in session on Friday, 2/16
- **On Monday, February 19th,** there will be a Roller Skating Fundraiser at the Big Wheel. Roller skate to support the Knowlton Township Elementary School, Class of 2018. **You must present the flyer found in the school's newsletter for the proceeds to benefit the class of 2018.**
- Attention 6th Grade Parents: **MEETING DATE CORRECTION...** Join us on Thursday, March 1st at 7:00 pm in the school library help plan your child's 6th grade end of the year fun.

- **Wednesday, March 14th** will be an EARLY DISMISSAL DAY for a Teacher Professional Development
- Pictures are needed by **March 30, 2018**- As your child walks across the gym during the promotion ceremony, a slideshow will play featuring their pictures throughout their KTES year. We need up to 3 pictures of your child participating in any school related event (holiday party, field trips, Halloween parade, Holiday/Spring concerts, etc.) to be included in the slideshow. Please email a scanned or digital picture to joannrmc@outlook.com before March 30th. Please include your child's name and the school grade when it was taken. If you cannot email a copy, please send in the actual photo (please write name and grade) to your child's homeroom teacher. You will get the picture back. If we don't receive any pictures from you, your child might be left out. Thanks so much for your help. We look forward to having a wonderful, memory filled promotion ceremony! If you have any questions, please contact JoAnn McCormack at joannrmc@outlook.com or 201-803-7948.
- Congratulations to Mrs. Jones for being our school's Teacher of the Year, and Mrs. Hollmann for being our Educational Service Professional of the Year!