



Rebel Reader

Editor: Mrs. Sandoral

March 2nd
Thru
March 6th

Principal's Corner

Mr. Wedemeyer

Le Pera Students Have No Fear of Computers

Those days of filling out bubbles with a No. 2 pencil are quickly coming to an end at Parker Unified School District.

One of the many challenging aspects of this new state standards test (AzMERIT) coming up in April is the fact that it will be administered entirely by computer.

At Le Pera, we recognize that many of our students don't have as much experience in front of a computer as other Arizona kids. However, we are not using this fact as an excuse to underperform. Instead, we have spent a great deal of time and energy over the past several months helping students develop their computer skills. Teachers are required to take their students to one of our two computer labs at least twice a week for training. During this time, students improve their keyboarding skills and become better familiarized with all sorts of computer technology.

They are also taking on-line practice tests that are very similar to the AzMERIT exam. And, next week, students are required for the first time to use a computer when taking their quarterly benchmark test.

If you have a computer at home, I encourage you to visit our web site -- <http://lp.parkerusd.org> -- with your son or daughter. Have them take you to the "Symbaloo" link on the STUDENTS tab. There you will find a wonderfully organized page that is packed with all sorts of technology-teaching resources. You can have them show you what the AzMERIT test is going to look like, or you can even challenge them to a typing race. Be careful, they might give you a run for the money.

Without computer skills, it will be difficult for students to thrive as they continue their education -- especially when it comes to testing. It is my hope, that with some extra help, Le Pera students will soon reach a comfort zone on the computer. I believe many are already there. Go REBELS!

Brain Booster Question:

K-2: How do you spell the number 4?

3-5: On which side of the road do you ride a bike on?

6-8: What is the tallest living thing in the United States?

Edna

Winners Galvez



from Mrs. MacFarland's class chose a poster for her prize, Fabian Briseno from Mrs. Goldsberry's class chose a Hot Wheels car for his prize, and Milagros Figueroa from Mr. Thompson's class also chose a poster for her prize.

WORD OF THE WEEK

CHEERFULNESS - being in good spirits, pleasant, happy

UP COMING EVENTS

3/5- Talent Search Meeting

3/6- No Early Release

3/6- 8th Grade Talent Search Field Trip ASU Polytech

Mr. McKenzie

7th & 8th Social Studies

We have one week left in third quarter. With quarterly testing going on in the lab for the first time I am sure it will be a busy week. Good luck to all students during testing week. I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing spring break. It is hard to believe that 4th quarter will be here when we get back. Time goes so fast. In junior high social studies we are now studying the Bill of Rights. The Bill of Rights are the first 10 amendments to the Constitution that were added in 1791. We are on the first amendment, which

LE PERA MENU FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Breakfast: Cereal, Cinnamon Toast, String Cheese, Fruit & Milk

Lunch: Pizza, Salad & Dressing, Fruit & Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: French Toast Sticks w/ Syrup, Sausage, Fruit & Milk

Lunch: Beef & Cheese Burrito w/ Salsa, Corn, Fruit & Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast: Cereal, Muffin, String Cheese, Fruit & Milk

Lunch: Rib-B-Que, Pickles, French Fries, Fruit & Milk

Thursday

Breakfast: Egg & Cheese on an English Muffin, Fruit & Milk

Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak w/ Gravy, Mashed Potato, Roll, Fruit & Milk

Friday

Breakfast: Cereal, Cheese Crisp, Granola Mix, Fruit & Milk

Lunch: Hot Dog On a Bun, Tator Tots, Beans, Fruit & Milk

Mrs. Goldsberry

2nd Grade

The third quarter is in full force and we have increased our effort to practice everything we need to learn before 3rd grade and quarter tests. We are trying to remember that the answer is usually there in reading we just have to look back for it. Have your child read something every night. It builds their background knowledge which is also useful in figuring out answers. As did the wonderful visit to the King Tut exhibit we had. We saw many things we had studied. Ask your child what their favorite part was. In math we are focusing on measurement, graphing and problem solving using all operations. In English, we have been working with types of words and writing paragraphs. In reading we are using the selections to look at story structure and compare and contrast different stories. Please ask your child what they learned about these topics in school each

Mr. Peta

5th Grade

Hola from 5th grade,

We are eagerly anticipating our coveted Spring Break. The 2 week break allows us to recharge our batteries and get refocused for the last quarter. Whether it's AZ Merit we are preparing for, or upcoming Fantasy Baseball drafts, the 4th quarter is our time to show our unmatched skill sets. In math, we have been working with the coordinate plane and reviewing 2 dimensional shapes. We also have spent time brushing up on volume and area. In reading, we have been working on determining meaning of words and writing position papers.

Congrats to LP Elementary, which raised over \$1600 dollars this year in our Pennies for Patients fundraiser. Our class raised over \$400.... Great job 5th grade!!!