

# MS. ZECCA'S NEWSLETTER

Week 24: February 16-20

### Important Dates



February 16-Parent Conference Day-NO School

February 23-Channel Austin Trip-Please bring a sack lunch

February 24-MOY II Science Benchmark February 26-Class & Spring Pictures

March 7-5th Grade Volleyball Play day at UT

March 13-End of 3rd 9 Weeks

March 13-Track & Field Day

March 16-20-Spring Break

March 26-Report Cards go Home

March 27-Awards Assembly

#### **February Birthdays**



1st\_Derek 16th\_Nick



#### For Your Information...



The Outdoor School at Camp Champions

February 12, 2015

#### Dear Parents

Our trip to the Outdoor School at Camp Champions is a two day, overnight field trip. We will be traveling on two school buses to Camp Champions, which is located in Marble Falls. Students will stay in cabins with Boone teachers/staff (separate cabins for males and females). All meals except lunch on day one are provided by the camp, so your child will need to bring a disposable sack lunch on Monday, April 6, 2015. The emphasis of the trip is outdoor education (science, nature, conservation and group cooperation). Classes are taught by camp counselors and supervised by Boone teachers/staff.

At this time, we are determining the need for chaperones. We will send more information soon.

Date: All three classes will attend April 6 and 7, 2015.

Payment: The cost per student will be \$55.00.

Payment Options:

- One payment of \$55.00
- Two payments of \$27.50 each (Ist payment due February 27, 2015 and 2nd payment due March 13, 2015)
- You may pay by cash, check (payable to Boone Elementary) or online
  at <a href="https://austinisd.schoolcashonline.com">https://austinisd.schoolcashonline.com</a>. You will need to create an account.
  You will also need your child's student ID number. You can locate the ID number
  on your child's report card. Note: The online option may not be available this
  week, but should be ready by early next week.
- If you would like to donate any additional amount for those students that may not be able to pay the full amount, we would appreciate it.

Thank you! Fifth Grade Teachers

**Reminders:** We will checking out books every other Tuesday during EMI. Books will be turned in on Mondays. This so a checkout week.

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#### **Lunch Menu**

Monday: Parent/Teacher Conference Day

<u>Tuesday</u>: Chicken Burger / Garden Burger

Wednesday: Pizza Dippers /

Fish Burger

**Thursday**: Spaghetti w/Meatballs / Yogurt Plate

<u>Friday</u>: Bean & Cheese Tamale / Toasted Cheese Sandwich



#### **Specials**

Monday: —

Tuesday: Art

Wednesday: Music

Thursday: P.E.

Friday: Art

\*Please make sure your child wears tennis shoes on P.E. days.

#### Library

Bring ALL your library books THIS Tuesday!



#### What We're Learning

READING: Students will be summarizing folktales.

WEITING: Students will continue researching and writing a persuasive essay on a science topic.

Social STUDIES: Students will be learning about the causes of the Civil War.



## What can parents do to foster reading comprehension of informational texts?

- 5. Good readers can identify the main idea in informational texts. Help your child practice this important reading skills by discussing in no more than 1 sentence what the text is about. Ask your child to use this prompt to focus on the main idea: "This text is mainly about..." You can direct your child to the title, headings, and summary to determine if the main idea has been identified correctly.
- 6. Most informational texts contain a great deal of information. While it is important for children to understand what they read, it is usually not necessary for them to remember every fact or detail. After reading an informational text, ask your child to discuss three big ideas. These three big ideas should focus on the most important information in the text.