# HARRISON'S HEROES 



Dear Parents,

This week the students will have a guest teacher, Mrs. Anderson, as I will be out of town the entire week. Mrs. Anderson has been a substitute teacher for many years. I believe that the students will enjoy her as she is very kind and organized.

This week marks the end of the third marking period. Friday will be a half day as teachers will be working on report cards in the afternoon. Throughout the week students will be taking some assessments on Study Island that align with the report card. Your child can show you his/her progress on these assessments by logging onto their Study Island account and going to our class page. There students are be able to see their results and review any problems they may have missed. The assessments the students are taking are relatively short, most are between 8 and 10 questions.

There will be no late start on Wednesday, April 12, and students will be dismissed at 11:45. Thursday, April 13, students will be taking the math portion of the M-Step test in the afternoon.

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## Fun at Sarett Nature Center

The students had a great time learning about tapping maple trees and the process of making maple syrup this past Thursday during our field trip to Sarett Nature Center. Students learned about photosynthesis, how to identify a maple tree, and how much sap it takes to make one gallon of syrup. The students especially enjoyed walking the trails with the naturalist and learning about the different plants. They even had a chance to tap a tree. Towards the end of the visit the students had a chance to sit by the fire with a big metal kettle over it filled with sap. The naturalist explained to the students that the sap that comes from maple trees is $98 \%$ water and $2 \%$ sugar. In order to make maple syrup from the sap they have to boil the sap in order to evaporate the water out of it. Following is a link to a video I created highlighting some of the fun the students had on this event: https://vimeo.com/813912479


## Reading Night

The students had a great time Thursday night at Stewart's Reading Night. Congratulations to Jayce for winning a coin to receive a book from Stewart's book vending machine. Jayce picked the book Wonder, which happens to be our current read aloud.

## Blue Ribbon Challenge

Just a quick reminder that our after school Study Island Sessions ended last week. However students still have time to earn their blue ribbons in order to make their goal! They have until April 28th to earn all their math and ELA ribbons in order to be invited to our after school Pizza Party on May 5th.

## Upcoming Events

April 5: Spring Picture Day for those students that ordered pictures ahead of time.
April 7: End of Third Marking Period, $1 / 2$ of School
April 12: No Late Start and 1/2 of School
April 13: M-Step Math
April 13: 3rd, 4th, 5th, Grade Concert
April 20: M-Step ELA
May 5: Blue Ribbon after school Party
May 16: NWEA Math
May 18: NWEA ELA
May 24: Field Trip to watch South Bend Cubs game
June 1: After School Book It Party
June 7: 1/2 of School
June 8: Last Day of School, 1/2 Day

## Math:

Students continue to learn different multiplication strategies. This week they will be focussing on story problems. They will learn how to write good story problems to match equations they are given.

Homework for the week
Tues: 89-90
Thurs: 91-92

## Language Arts

March was the last Month of Book It. Students are encouraged to return their Book it calendar as soon as they reach their goal. Students who reached their goal all six months are invited to my house for an after school Book It! Party on June 1st. April and May will be make up months for those students who have missed months.

This week students will learn about the vecv pattern in words. Students can practice the skills they will be learning this week on Spelling City: https://www.spellingcity.com/ users/harrisonheroes Be sure to click on the Unit 5 List 4 button.

On Friday, students will be tested on the following words:

Mammal
Problem
Sunday
chicken

Class Website:
https://harrisonsheroes.weebly.com

Specials:
Monday-Music/
Library
Tuesday-PE
Wednesday-Art Thursday-Music Friday-PE

