

March 20, 2017

Dear Fifth Grade Families,

New Block: Ancient Egypt

The students did a great job researching North American and presenting their discoveries to the class. There are still a few presentations to go, which will be completed over the next week. In the meantime, we are moving on (or back) to the world of Ancient Egypt.

Picture Book Project is Back

We will also return to the Picture Book Project. Most students have already completed a rough draft of their book. We will pick up from there and move on to carefully editing the story in preparation for making the final book.

Parent Conference Results

Thank you to everyone who met with me during the parent conferences. Our conversations were very helpful. I picked up several great ideas. One thing I learned is that it is sometimes difficult for parents to know if their child has homework. Starting next week, I'll attach a list of recent assignments to parent packets. Among other things it will list any overdue or missing assignments.

Boat Building Tutorial

The boat building tutorial was a great success! All four of our intrepid teams showed up ready to learn. We managed to *almost* complete three boats. I took detailed notes of the build process and will soon post them on the class website along with pictures. More soon...

Creek Cleanup On Hold Again

I was hoping we could participate in World Water Day by helping to clean up Sonoma Creek this Thursday, but the weather seems to have other plans. I've decided to wait a little longer until the weather improves. Luckily (I guess), the need to clean our creeks never seems to go away.

Upcoming Events

- Friday, April 7: Woodland Star School Spring Assembly
- Saturday, April 8: Bodega Bay Wooden Boat Challenge

For the Future...

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Yes! I have received the parent packet for the week of March 20, 2017.

Please contact me.

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