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MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

Mrs. Kurian, Principal

February Highlights:

- ❖ *We are once again the #1 K-5 elementary school in Philadelphia!*
- ❖ We had our Student of the Month breakfast and students and parents alike were so excited
- ❖ Home and School hosted a successful Book Fair
- ❖ NAEP testing for 4th grade went well
- ❖ Cameras are continuing to be installed
- ❖ Students are being pushed to do higher level thinking and work

- ❖ 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students – PSSA's are from April 23rd to May 3rd. Please plan on being in school.
- ❖ Know your child's reading level and make sure they are making progress.
- ❖ Every child should have access to the Reading and Math interventions so that they can work on this at home
- ❖ Please be sure students are here on time every day – the percentage of students who attend 95% or better in each grade are as follows:

- KG – 47.1%
- 1st grade – 55.2%
- 2nd grade – 57.5%
- 3rd grade – 64.2%
- 4th grade – 64.8%
- 5th grade – 65.5%

You play the most important role in making sure your child is here on time. We want them to learn and they can't do that if they miss days here and there.

Upcoming

Thanks to our Home and School for hosting the Book Fair!

Thanks to all of our teachers and staff who are pushing our students to think and struggle through Reading and Math. It's through productive struggle that students learn! Tests will be more rigorous so please be sure to help students at home.

- ❖ Interims for 3rd marking period will be coming home Wednesday, Feb 27th
- ❖ Please be sure to read and write every day
- ❖ March 1st is a half day
- ❖ Read Across America Week from March 4th to March 8th
- ❖ MOCK PSSA's are to practice testing for the PSSA's for our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students

**21 Instructional Days
in February
"Bring on Twenty-One"**

Important Reminders

- ✓ *The last day of school is June 4th. Please do not plan to leave before June 4th as you will not receive a report card. It is important for children to be in school until the last day.*
- ✓ *Many students are coming late to school. It is very important that students line up by 8:10 am. Please teach students the importance of being on time whether it's raining, snowing, or bright outside. When students are late, it disrupts their day.*
- ✓ *Fire drills have to be done monthly no matter how cold it is. We are not allowed to take our jackets because we have to exit quickly. Safety first!*
- ✓ *Always bring your photo ID to pick up children. No exception!*