**Mrs. Burger’s 2nd Grade Weekly News**

**3/20 – 3/24**

Dear Families,

\*Thank you so much for helping your child to complete the Civil Rights Vest!  I am so impressed with the way that they all turned out!

\*KPREP for grades 3 – 5 is scheduled in May.  No visitors or volunteers will be allowed in the building from May 14th – May 24th.

\*Pennies for Patients lasts until Friday, March 31st.  Please have your child bring money to school in the box to dump into our classroom box.  Our school goal is to raise $10,000!  Our class goal is $400.00. If you would like to place an online donation you may use the following link beginning on Monday, 3/13: <http://events.lls.org/pages/ky/HarmonyElementarySchool-2017/TBurger>

**What are we learning next week?**

**Related Arts for this Week: Technology (Monday-Thursday) and Art (Friday)**

**Daily Lunch Time:** 11:37 – 12:02 pm

**Other Information:**

**-** Each day your child will bring home his or her **Student Agenda**.  Please make sure to initial in the box on the page to the right of the message.  Also, please record the title(s) of the book your child read that night.

**Daily Homework:**

* Read 15 minutes each night and record title in student agenda.
* Other suggested activities will be listed on the Snapshot for you and your child to complete.

**Word Wall Words:** hear, hope, mind, sister, either

**Reading:** We will be looking at folktales from Africa and identifying story elements that may be found in a folktale.  We will also be looking for the central message of the story, and practice retelling the major story events.

**Writing:** In writing we will complete our scientific lab reports based on the results from our “Super Insect” that the students built.  The students have hypothesized and completed experiments in order to determine which insect or animal characteristic is most efficient in moving pollen from one plant to another. Once these are finished we will begin to plan out a creative piece, an imaginary folktale. Students will use what they have learned from reading a variety of folktales to create their own. Students will determine their characters and setting, then use many of our folktale elements, such as sets of three, repeated phrases, and good versus evil to entertain their audience.

**Math:** Students will be estimating the measurements of various objects using different tools and units of measurement.  In addition, we will be comparing the length of two different objects and finding the difference of the measurements.  By the end of next week all students need to be able to give two appropriate estimates using two different units of measurement for a given object.

**Science:** In science we will discuss habitats.  Students will be using their schema to compare two different habitats and sharing their results with the class.  We will also discuss animal adaptations that help the animal to survive in a given climate.

**Important Dates:**

March 13th – March 31st:  Pennies for Patients

April 3rd – 7th:  Spring Break

May 5th: Oaks Day, No School

May 14th – 24th: KPREP testing for grades 3-5. No visitors in the building.

May 29th: Memorial Day, No School

June 1st: Students last day of school