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

**1/23 – 1/27**

Dear Families,

\*K-2 Family Literacy Night is scheduled for Tuesday, January 24th.   Free dinner is at 5:30 – 6:00pm, and Literacy Stations are 6:00 – 7:15pm in the library.  If you RSVP’d to attend, please park in the bus parking lot and enter through the cafeteria doors.

\*A permission slip went home today for the 2nd Grade Carnival Party.  The party is Friday, February 3rd from 2:30 – 4:30pm.  The cost of the event is $20 (cash or check made payable to Harmony Elementary PTA), and all money earned goes to our classroom.  Please send back the permission form with money if your child plans on attending!

\*An information sheet about a new project was sent home today as well.  As part of our new Social Studies unit, your child has been asked to complete a timeline on a poster board of his or her life from birth to now.  Timelines are due Friday, February 3rd.

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

**What will be learning this week?**

**Word Wall Words:** life, against, need, since, number

**Reading:**In reading we will continue to look at different versions of fairytales and folktales, and compare and contrast the story elements and central messages of the texts.  We will be using different tools to help organize our thoughts as we compare and contrast the story versions.

**Writing:**Next week we will continue our informative writing by using our knowledge of how scientists write to create an organized paper that contains each part of a scientific lab report (question, hypothesis, procedure, results, and conclusion).  Students are writing their lab report based on experiments they created in a small group last week.

**Math:** Next week we will use our knowledge of adding and subtracting within 100 to count different combinations of coins.  We will review how to make change by counting up or using subtraction across zeroes.  In addition, we will practice how to add 10 and 100 to a given number that is in the hundreds.

**Social Studies:** We will begin our next Social Studies Unit on the Journey to Freedom.  We will start our new unit by discussing slavery, the areas that supported it, and the impact it had on peoples’ lives.  In addition, we will learn about Harriet Tubman and her contribution to the Underground Railroad.  Students will also be creating their own timelines that will be modeled after our class Civil Rights timeline.  We will be highlighting the most significant events that occurred during these times.

**Important Dates:**

January 17th – February 17th:  Class Box Top Competition

January 18th:  General PTA Meeting at 6:30pm

January 24th:  Family Literacy Night K-2 at 5:30 – 7:15pm

February 7th:  Board Meeting at 9:00am; Playground Meeting at 10:00am

February 8th:  Early Release Day

February 10th:  Father Daughter Dance at 6:00pm

February 20th:  Make-up Snow Day

March 10th:  Early Release Day