

Mrs. Ponte's Weekly Newsletter

Dear Families,

Students are hard at work on their research for Exhibition. Thank you for having conversations with your child and helping to guide them in the process. Please feel free to message me when you have questions or concerns.

This week PYA kicks off its month-long fundraiser for Pennies for Patients, an organization that supports research for blood cancers. This week is "Penny Wars" and we are trying to raise the most money and earn a free dress day. Bring in pennies for our grade level jar!

Learner Profile Trait of the Month:

Balanced

Balanced learners understand the importance of intellectual, physical, and emotional **balance** to achieve personal well-being for themselves and others.

Important Dates

Feb 3 – 7th: Penny Wars (see notes)

February 7th – Boon Supply Orders DUE

February 10th – No School

February 13th – PTA Family Fun Dance

February 17th – No School

Math News

We are continuing to work with operations using fractions and decimals. At home, you can have your child help with reading and preparing a recipe. Or, take your child to the grocery store and have them help you calculate the total. Any time students can see fractions and decimals in the "real world" it will help them make meaning of the math we are doing in class.

Students should continue to work on "My Path" at home as part of their daily homework routine. Students can earn a Popcorn and Movie party by scoring 100% on their My Path lessons.

What's happening with Exhibition?

This week, students are continuing to research the questions they've developed about a topic of their choice.

Due Monday 2/3: Parent Homework (this was actually due last week. Please complete with your child and return as soon as possible)

Due Friday 2/7: Students will be sharing the research they've completed so far.

40 Book Challenge

Our class has read over 1,000 books since the challenge began in August! Please keep encouraging your child to read at home and remind them to bring their book to school each day. How's your own 40 book challenge going? 😊