## teacher's notes

#### **Book Report**

The next book report is adventure or mystery. It is due on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure you follow requirements on the Book Report Letter! (It is posted on my webpage as well)

#### **Permission Slips**

With the end of the year rapidly approaching, we will have a variety of permission slips coming home. Please watch for these, sign and return as quickly as possible. There will be middle school choir and band tours, field trip slip, etc. Keep an eye out! Thanks!

### class calendar

April 8 & 9 Science NSCAS

April 12 Growth and Development Talk

April 13-21 Spring Break! (Let's hope it feels like it)

April 22 ACMS Choir Clinic

April 23 & 24 Math NSCAS

April 30 D.A.R.E. Graduation

# What's Happening in the classroom?

week of:

April 1-5

April 5<sup>th</sup>

Good afternoon! We had a pretty good week! This time of year the students get antsy and more chatty, so if we can keep that to a minimum we will have the privilege to take part in many fun activities as the year winds down.

Unit 5 week 5 in Reading presents the story, "When Esther Morris Headed West." This biography tells the story of a women fighting for her rights to honor the events in the Wyoming Territory in the 1870s. Students will pull various facts and opinions from the story. They will also read a short story on African American Voting Rights.

We have some very talented writers in here. This week we finished sharing our most recent piece of writing, a realistic fiction story. Everyone did very well. Our greatest struggle is knowing when or how to wrap up a story. For the sake of time, our next story will be limited to five paragraphs and 3 pages. Students will zoom in on one small moment and describe every bit of detail from that moment. I look forward to seeing these pieces!

In math we are continuing measurement and conversions. We reviewed customary units this week and move into metric units on Monday. This gets tricky for some with converting units that are not in order. Any additional practice will help!

NSCAS is our new statewide assessment. We are taking the Science assessment on Monday and Tuesday next week. Please make sure your child has a good nights sleep and a nutritious breakfast on these days. We don't want to put too much pressure on them, but we do need to encourage their best work.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>mskrdla@gpsne.org</u>.

Have a great weekend!

Miss Skrdla 😳

