

Dates to Remember:

* On Wednesday, March 23rd, Dwight's first graders are heading to the Bridgeport Cabaret Theater to see <u>James and the Giant Peach</u>. We are leaving Dwight around 10:45 and will return around 2:00. Students will need to bring **lunch from home** this day (no peanut butter/nuts please). Please pack lunches in disposable bags clearly labeled with your child's name.

* There will be no school on Friday, March 25th in observance of Good Friday.

* Wednesday, March 30th, Thursday, March 31st, and Wednesday, April 6th are early dismissal days (1:40 p.m.) due to conferences. I am looking forward to meeting with all of you.

Reader's Workshop:

We are continuing our folktales/fairy tales unit by looking at the characters in stories, noticing how they talk, act, and feel.

Writer's Workshop:

Our writers are really enjoying the start of our fiction unit of study! This week we'll talk about what makes a good beginning to a story and focus on including a problem and solution in our pieces.

Math:

This week in Math we will wrap up our place value unit. We'll talk about related facts and play some games to reinforce addition and subtraction fluency. Keep practicing those facts at home, too!

Word Work:

* Our new Word Wall Words are: after, been, before, saw, there.

* This week we will also focus on **compound words**. (Some examples are: butterfly, snowman, toothbrush.)

Science/Social Studies:

Our scientists will continue work on their animal riddle books during Tech Time in the LMC this week.

Odds and Ends:

* Please remember that library books should be returned to school on or before "C" days. (Unless, of course, your reader is not finished with them!) That way, your child can check out new books for the week.