



Dear Parents,

We'll know when it's spring when we no longer worry about snow days - although yesterday it seemed like we had all four seasons in one day!

The SBAC field test has begun without a hitch for our fifth graders. We are so proud and impressed by how well they have adapted to this new type of test which they are taking on the computers in the lab next to the library. The library is open during the testing, and Mrs. Selk is continuing her work with individual classes during this time.

Conferences have already begun and will continue on Wednesday and Thursday, **April 2 and 3**. Both days are **early release days** which means **all students will be dismissed at 1:40 pm**. Please visit the book fair or stop by for a chat with me while you are here.

We are looking forward to **welcoming new and registered 2014-15 kindergarteners** to McKinley for a **student visit and parent orientation on May 6 (last names A-L) and May 13 (last names M-Z) from 9:00 - 10:00 am**. If you have an incoming kindergartener in your family or know of neighbors or friends with one, please know that the registration process now starts on-line. To get started with registration, please visit <http://fairfieldschools.org/> and scroll down to the bottom of the page for the kindergarten pre-registration link.

I'm getting ahead of myself because we have so much to look forward to this month. Our **Drama Club** will be performing *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* on **Friday, April 4** at 9:45 am for students and 7:00 pm for parents. We will all be celebrating our **Spring Recess from April 14 - 18** when schools are closed. On **April 24 - April 27**, the PTA will be sponsoring the **McKinley School Carnival at Jennings Beach**. This is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the school and promises to be another great success.

Happy April,

Leslie Pearson