

# Fourth/Fifth Grade News...from Room 5

February 22, 2008

Dear Families,

The end of the second trimester is rapidly approaching. I am hoping that you have received, signed, and returned your child's progress report slip (yellow Post-it) by now. We will be scheduling conferences soon where we will thoroughly discuss your child's progress and set goals for the remainder of the school year. Second trimester grades will close on Friday, 3/7/08. This is the deadline for Accelerated Reader Star Reader, all Criterion writing input, and all overdue assignments (homework and classwork).

☺Hip, Hip Hooray for Jenna, our next V.I.P.! ☺

Thank you to **Mrs. Neff** for continuing to document camp expenses. I booked our bus and requested two excellent drivers. We will be announcing the "winners" from our chaperone lottery next week. These lucky parents will get to room with students during our trip. The other chaperones will be residing in "adults-only" cabins. A representative from the camp (**Martha** a.k.a. "**Clover**") came to speak to our campers, and the entire class yesterday. We will be holding one more camp meeting on **Thursday, March 6 at 6:00 PM** to discuss logistics, packing instructions, etc. A **PACKING LIST AND DIRECTIONS TO THE CAMP WERE GIVEN TO EACH CAMPER AT THE LAST MEETING. AN ADDITIONAL COPY OF THIS INFORMATION WAS SENT HOME WITH EACH CAMPER TODAY!**

☺Good luck to Alvaro, our school Spelling Bee champion! ☺

Alvaro will be competing in the Daily Press Spelling Bee on **TOMORROW** at Victor Valley College. We are so proud of him!

Student Authors entries are due very soon (3/3). This is a requirement for all of Galileo Academy's GATE program students. The last opportunity for students to obtain peer feedback for their rough drafts is **MONDAY, 2/25**. After that, only final drafts will be accepted. **EARLYBIRDS ARE WELCOME!**

For almost two months, we have been working on reports about famous African Americans. Your child should have completed all of his/her research, as well as the majority of his/her written report here at school. **COMPLETED REPORTS ARE DUE ON 2/28!**

Our next Culture Club meeting will be held afterschool on Thursday, 2/28. We will be studying China this time. Notes were sent home yesterday. Permission slips were sent home today to the first 40 responders.

Book orders are attached and are due on Monday, 3/3/08. Please make checks payable to Scholastic. Our class earns free books due to your purchases, and you get great deals!

I have attached two coupons: one for a free child's meal at Hometown Buffet, and another for free parking at the Getty Center. Enjoy!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Miller