

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

February 29, 2008

Dear Families,

HAPPY LEAP YEAR! Hope you do something fun during this extra day of the year! The second trimester ends on Friday, 3/6/08. All overdue work must be returned by then for report card credit. You will receive your child's report card at your scheduled conference during the week of 3/17. Appointment slips will be sent home next week.

☺Hip, Hip Hooray for Alvaro, who placed fourth in the Daily Press Bee! ☺

(Thank you to **Jerell** and **Mr. Bambico** for joining Alvaro's cheering section at the event!)

Thank you to **Amorita** for sharing information about the public library. As a result, several of our students have applied for their own library cards and/or have visited the library this past week!

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

African American reports were due yesterday. We started the presentation process right away and have been thoroughly impressed thus far with the caliber of student effort.

Student Authors entries are required and are due on MONDAY, MARCH 3! No, excuses, no exceptions. Your child will receive a failing grade for his/her report card writing score if he/she neglects to submit this assignment.

Our next major project is the Community Service project. Guidelines will be sent home Monday. Be sure to ask your child to show you these green sheets on that day!

You may have heard the exciting news that the California Distinguished Schools committee is coming to visit our school next week. They need to validate what was written on our application, which by the way, received a PERFECT SCORE!

Our fourth graders will be taking the State Writing Assessment on Tuesday, 3/4. It is imperative that all fourth graders are well-rested, well-fed, and prompt to school on that day. Our fifth graders will take a similar assessment although it is not a state test.

Our final camping meeting will be held on Thursday, March 6 at 6:00 PM in the boardroom. It is imperative that all campers' parents and chaperones attend. ALL PAPERWORK IS DUE THEN AS WELL.

A field trip has been scheduled for the fourth graders and non-camping fifth graders. Information is attached if this pertains to your child. (Mrs. Gorelick, a retired VESD teacher, will be the substitute in class that day).

Please note that all handwritten work must be completed in cursive, even for the Homework packet! Let me know if you need additional cursive practice handouts for your child, and for which specific letters.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Miller

Book orders are due on Monday, 3/3/08. Please make checks payable to Scholastic.