

# MRS. MCCARTHY'S NEWSLETTER

FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 6-10, 2017

## Curriculum

**Readers Workshop**— This week we will start a new unit. Students will use wondering to help them understand nonfiction text. We will read the books A Baby Penguin Story and A Baby Duck Story and learn the vocabulary words rocky, fluffy, icy and tasty. We will compare the two texts and talk about how they are the same and different.

**Writers Workshop**— We will start a new unit about nonfiction writing. Students will hear the story What

Happens at an Airport? and write facts they learned about from the story. We will create a class book this week about facts about our classroom. We will be rotating this book home for you to view with your kindergartener so please watch for it!

**Math**— This week we will learn strategies to use when finding the answer to addition equations. We will have continued practice with our teen numbers by making a teen number book.

**Theme**— We will be learning about dinosaurs this week! We will learn about different types of dinosaurs and what they eat. We will read the book If the Dinosaurs Came Back and do a writing activity.

## Need to Know

- ◆ March 13-17—No School—Spring Break
- ◆ Report cards will be sent home March 28th
- ◆ April 6th—Family STEAM Night from 5:30 -7:00 PM
- ◆ If interested in filling out a class placement form for next year the forms are available in the office. The deadline is April 14th. You can find more information about class placement forms in the Kennedy March Newsletter.
- ◆ April 13th—Early Release—Students are released at 12:00.
- ◆ No School—Easter Break—April 14th and 17th
- ◆ Dreambox is an online math program that students are just starting to learn about in our classroom. Dreambox is accessible at home for your child to continue their learning at home too! Please watch for a handout coming home that will provide more information about this resource and get you connected at home.

## Mrs. McCarthy's Corner

### Community Helpers/Careers Week

The week of April 10th we will be learning about community helpers and careers in our classroom. If you would like to, please consider coming into our classroom to teach us about what you do! We would love to have you from 2:15-2:45; however, if that time doesn't work for you, we can look at a different time. Please let me know if you are interested in coming in!

Thank you!