



# Mrs. Otte's Weekly Update



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March 30 - April 2  
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Edition 28

## Bored over Break?

SPRING BREAK IS A GREAT TIME FOR STUDENTS TO RELAX AND ENJOY THEIR DAYS AWAY FROM SCHOOL. HOWEVER, IF YOUR CHILD SAYS THEY ARE BORED, HERE ARE SOME FUN, EDUCATIONAL IDEAS:

- CREATE A MODEL OF ONE OF THE SYSTEMS OF THE BODY WITH THINGS FROM AROUND THE HOUSE. DON'T FORGET TO BRING IT INTO SCHOOL TO SHOW THE CLASS!
- CONDUCT A SCIENCE EXPERIMENT. THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF IDEAS ONLINE.

EVERYONE HAVE A SPECTACULAR SPRING BREAK! WE WILL COME BACK TO SCHOOL REJUVENATED AND READY TO END THE YEAR STRONG. WE BEGIN MAP TESTING RIGHT AWAY WHEN WE RETURN. I KNOW THE STUDENTS ARE EAGER TO SEE HOW MUCH THEY HAVE GROWN THIS SCHOOL YEAR.

## Dates to Remember

APRIL 14	MAP TESTING STARTS
APRIL 15	LAST 5 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE MASS

**Math:** STUDENTS ARE CONTINUING TO WORK ON VOLUME. STUDENTS HAD A WRITTEN QUIZ ON WEDNESDAY TO SHOW THAT THEY HAVE THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AREA AND VOLUME.

**English:** STUDENTS WERE EXCITED TO TRY OUT THEIR CLASSMATES GAMES THIS WEEK. STUDENTS LEARNED THAT IT IS OFTEN DIFFICULT TO WRITE OUT DIRECTIONS AND TO MAKE IT CLEAR FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE GAME. IN CLASS WE REVIEWED DIRECT OBJECTS AND THE OBJECT OF THE PREPOSITION AND LEARNED ABOUT INDIRECT OBJECTS!

**Reading:** STUDENTS HAVE FINISHED READING THEIR INDEPENDENT MYSTERY BOOK THEY SELECTED. WE ARE STILL WORKING ON MYSTERY VOCABULARY AS A WHOLE GROUP. THE STUDENTS' FINAL PROJECT IS TO CREATE A COMMERCIAL THAT WILL TRY TO GET OTHERS TO READ THEIR MYSTERY BOOK. WE WILL FINISH OUR MYSTERY UNIT THIS WEEK SO WE CAN START OUR TRADITIONAL LITERATURE UNIT AFTER BREAK. REMEMBER TO ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO CONTINUE READING OVER SPRING BREAK! AS A CLASS WE HAVE READ 309 BOOKS THIS YEAR. I BELIEVE THAT WE WILL REACH OUR GOAL OF 400 BOOKS IF STUDENTS CONTINUE TO READ 20-40 MINUTES PER NIGHT. ALSO THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR PARTICIPATING IN MARCH'S READING MONTH. ON WEDNESDAY WE ENJOYED GOING OUTSIDE AND HAVE A FINAL READING CELEBRATION.

**Religion:** THIS WEEK OUR PRAYER PARTNERS WERE REVEALED! WE PUT TOGETHER OUR LENTEN PRAYER JOURNALS. WE ALSO DISCUSSED HOLY WEEK AND READ FROM BOTH THE BIBLE AND OUR RELIGION BOOKS.