



OUR

CLASSES

NEWS

February 2011

Mr. Olson's Class

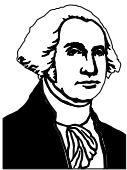
Set your calendar

We're Keeping Busy



—7th - January Awards assembly

—11th - Valentine's Day Party 1:30



—14th - No School, Lincoln's birthday observed.

—Feb. 21st - No school, President's

Day observed.



This month we have been working on completing book reports on our reading books. Some students have even made their book reports into movies. Check out the student pages on our website to view some. We will be starting our unit on the Yokut Indians and are learning about what their life was like. In Math we have been working on triangles and quadrilaterals. Keep practicing multiplication facts for our weekly Math Club timed tests. Willow Glen teachers have teaching "Smart Goals". Each week we teach one specific language arts standard and assess for learning. We are using these assessments to help guide our teaching for the next week. These "Smart Goals" are chosen by the number of questions on the STAR test and also help us prepare for the test. We have really seen great results from most students. Keep up the hard work!

CAT 6 TESTING

Coming at the end of April, 2nd—6th grade classes will be taking the STAR test. As most of you know this test is used to rank our students and school with others in California. Last year our scores weren't as high as we expected but this year we are really working hard to make our school goal of 800! We will be doing a lot of reviewing and even taking practice tests to get ready for the big day. Sample tests will be sent home for homework several times until we take the test. Please have your child do the work on their own and then check it over with them to see how they did. As always, read and practice your math facts. **WE WILL DO GREAT !!**

UPCOMING DATES

- ⇒ Mar. 8-10 Conferences
- ⇒ Mar. 18th –Tricky Tray
- ⇒ April 18 - 25 -- Spring Break
- ⇒ End of April – STAR testing days (let's have 100% attendance these days)

Multiplication times tables awards

Congratulations to both Eddie and Sofia for passing their *12X Math club facts*. Also, congratulations to all of those who had perfect attendance or received certificates for being Model Students and those who had perfect attendance during the month of December.

Check out these cool web sites!

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/tools/flashcards.htm>

Make flash cards to practice your spelling words or math facts.

<http://www.bookadventure.org/index.asp>

Earn points by reading and taking quizzes on the books you have read. Use these points to get free prizes. (to give it a try use *student2006* as the user name and password.) Sign up yourself to keep track of your own points. (use *willowglen* for the class name and use *olson* for the teacher's last name)

<http://thatquiz.com/>

Practice math problems in all areas

<http://www.scholastic.com/familymatters/parentguides/standardizedtests.htm>

Parent, find out information to help your child get ready for the standardized test



Reminder:

If your child is absent please call the school or send a note to let us know why they were absent - -Thanks !



Valentine's Day List

Our Valentine's Party will be on Friday the 12th at 1:30. If your child would like to bring Valentines, please have him/her bring them on that day. Please have them sign enough Valentine cards for everyone in the class and put their name and the names of the other students. Your child needs to bring a Valentine for every student in our the class. I have provided a class list below.

ALSO as a part of our 3rd grade standards we have been learning *cursive*. To practice they need to write **their Valentine's cards in *cursive*.**

Dawson Bennett
 Damian Cortez
 Adrian Crisp
 Bradley Fawkes
 Doug Fulmer
 Jackson Goldstein
 Kristen Ihde
 Aaron Jones
 Laura Martinez
 Sofia McMunn
 Xavier Navarette
 Kyanna Orozco
 Eddie Quezada

Ruby Renteria
 John Reyes
 Ashley Rodriguez
 Hannah Rubalcaba
 Angel Salazar
 Ezra Silva
 Abby Vasquez
 Priscilla Vides
 Katelyn Wilson

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