

# Weekly Newsletter: January 7-11, 2019



Welcome to 2019 and the second half of fourth grade ☺ This month students will complete a STEM project, a biography writing project and math iReady testing. We will also enjoy a field trip to Cummer Art Museum. It will be a busy month- they all will be from here until May! Thank you for all you do- please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

## This Week We Are Learning

**ELA: Strategy Review:** The Sign of the Beaver Novel Study

This week students will read *The Sign of the Beaver* by Elizabeth George Speare. Each day we will read and discuss a few chapters and students will work on discussion questions to share with their groups. Vocabulary start back up this week with the test on 1/18. Spelling groups will start next week ☺

**Math: Mixed Numbers and Improper Fractions**

This week we will start our next math unit on mixed numbers and improper fractions. Students will learn to use number lines and models to add and subtract both mixed numbers and improper fractions. Anticipated unit test date: January 23. IXL for additional practice: Q14, J6, J7, J8

**Science: STEM Fair Projects**

STEM fair projects will be due February 1. Have no fear- a lot of the project will be done at school and the final board building/project will also be completed at school. Students will need to conduct their experiment at home, but most other portions will be completed at school. STEM packets will come home on 1/7 and should come to school every day for students to work on them.

**Social Studies: The Seminole Wars**

## Upcoming Important Dates

**January 7:** WELCOME BACK ☺

**January 18:** Vocab Quiz

**January 18:** Quarter 2 report cards released

**January 18:** Cummer Art Museum Trip (**pack a bagged lunch!**)

**January 21:** MLK Jr. Day- No school

**January 23:** Math Unit Test

**February 1:** STEM PROJECT DUE

**February 15:** Teacher inservice: No school for students

**February 18:** President's Day: No school

## Weekly Homework

- 4 math pages
- 4 nights of reading log
- STEM Packet pages 2-4



**Are you interested in additional learning resources for at home learning and practice?** IXL is a great resource that is available to every student in our class. For each topic being taught in math, there are a series of lettered and numbered tasks to complete. These test style questions provide students with extra practice and are an excellent way to study and prepare for upcoming tests and quizzes.