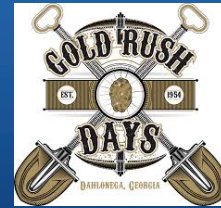


# 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Gazette



March 2019



## what will my child be learning?

- **Language Arts:** We are completing our study of poetry, prose, and drama. We will soon be starting a novel study on By The Great Horn Spoon.
- **Writing:** We will continue our study of Opinion/Persuasive Writing. Students have been learning to write multi-paragraph essays which include: an introductory paragraph clearly stating their opinion and 3 reasons, supporting reasons/evidence, and a concluding paragraph clearly restating the thesis/opinion statement with a call to action. **The students will be taking the District's Writing Performance Assessment next week on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Math:** We are finishing Module 8 (Division; Multiplying Fractions & Mixed Numbers) and starting Module 9 (Fractions - Comparing, Ordering, Finding Common Denominators; Mass – Pounds & Ounces; Capacity – Gallons, Quarts, Pints, Fluid Ounces).
- **Science:** We will finish our Earth Science Unit (Rocks & Minerals).
- **Social Studies:** We will learn about the economic, social, and political life in California from the establishment of the Bear Flag Republic through the Mexican-American War, The Gold Rush, and the granting of statehood.
- **Gold Rush Day:** We need your help to make this year's Gold Rush Day a memorable experience for your child. Your teacher will let you know about details and how/when to sign up.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Musical "California Missions and More!"

The students have been busy practicing for their upcoming musical. We are asking them to wear their costumes from Gold Rush Day for the musical. The backdrop was created from past years and we will need parent volunteers to hang the existing backdrop. Please email Ms. Mica Johnson ([mrsjmusicbass@gmail.com](mailto:mrsjmusicbass@gmail.com)) if you can help.

### Dress Rehearsal: Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

Students need to come to school in their costume from Gold Rush Day and bring a school uniform to change into after the rehearsal.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Musical: Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Students need to come to school in their Gold Rush Day costume. We will be performing our musical in the morning for the other grade levels, and there will be a performance that evening for parents/families.

- **Cast A** → Peruzzi & DeMarco @ 6:00 p.m.  
(Students must be in their classrooms at 5:45 p.m.)
- **Cast B** → Chang & Liu @ 7:00 p.m.  
(Students must be in their classroom at 6:45 p.m.)

## important dates

- 3/6: Writing Performance Assessment (WPA) for Opinion Writing
- 3/8: Science Fair Gr. 3-5 @ 3:00 (cafeteria)
- 3/11: Term 2 Report Cards sent home
- 3/13: Spring Picture Day
- 3/14 and 3/15: Minimum days (dismissal @ 1:00 PM)
- 3/26: Dress Rehearsal for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Musical (Come dressed in Gold Rush costume but bring school uniform to change)
- 3/28: Gold Rush Day: Come in Gold Rush Costume (details TBA by your teacher)
- 4/2: 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Musical: Cast A (Peruzzi/DeMarco) @ 6:00 p.m./arrive 5:45; Cast B (Chang/Liu) @ 7:00 p.m./arrive 6:45



## help smtf!

Please consider donating to the 4<sup>th</sup> grade SMTF auction basket. This foundation provides a lot for our school including our Chromebook carts and music programs. Donations can be turned in to the room parent(s) for your class.