

# SOAR Program

## (Students of Advanced Reading)

### March Newsletter

#### Kindergarten

During the month of March, we will continue to challenge ourselves in class with reading, writing, discussion, computer, and art activities.

At home, you may try some websites with your children, such as starfall.com and jumpstart.com. Encourage your children to read to you, and try to read to them each evening, making it a habit. Also, encourage inventive spelling, getting your children to write for various reasons (to send a card, letter, note, e-mail, etc.).

#### 2nd Grade

**Mar. 1-5:** Story: *Bremen Town Musicians* with Story Test on Fri., Mar. 5th

**Mar. 8-12:** Story: *Our Soccer League* with Story Test on Fri., Mar. 12th

**Mar. 15-19:** Story: *The Wednesday Surprise* with Story Test on Fri., Mar. 19th

**Mar. 22-26:** Story: *Fossils Tell of Long Ago* with Story Test on Fri., Mar. 26th

\*Please check your child's assignment notebook nightly for changes in the schedule.

#### 4th Grade

**Mar. 1-5:** *Maniac Magee* movie; rdg. games

**Mar. 8-12:** Activities with short books

**Mar. 15-19:** Jacob's Ladder: Nonfiction ("The American Revolutionary War" and "The Exploration of Space") - Answer higher-level thinking questions and create an informational flyer for 1 of the 2 topics

**Mar. 22-26:** Jacob's Ladder: Nonfiction ("Graphic Ice Cream") - Answer higher-level thinking questions; TEST Fri., Mar. 26th

#### 1st Grade

We will cover Caldecott award-winning books and activities throughout March.

**Mar. 1-5:** *Madeline's Rescue* (Skill: Story Elements; Activity: Publisher Sign for a Pet)

**Mar. 8-12:** *Arrow to the Sun* and *Fables* (Skill: Literature from Different Cultures and Rhymes; Activity: Writing a Song)

**Mar. 15-19:** *May I Bring a Friend?* and *Hey, Al* (Skill: Career Discussions; Activity: Letter)

**Mar. 22-26:** *Jumanji* (Skill: Predictions; Activity: Creating a game)

#### 3rd Grade

**Mar. 1-5:** No Class—ISAT Testing

**Mar. 8-12:** *Matilda* movie and reading games

**Mar. 15-19:** Jacob's Ladder: Nonfiction ("Ancient Rome" and "The Circle of Life") - Answer higher-level thinking questions and create an informational flyer

**Mar. 22-26:** Jacob's Ladder: Nonfiction ("Geometry All Around Us") - Answer higher-level thinking questions and create art showing how to use geometry in everyday life; TEST Thurs., Mar. 25th

#### 5th Grade

**Mar. 1-5:** No Class—ISAT Testing

**Mar. 8-12:** *Hoot* movie and reading games

**Mar. 15-19:** Jacob's Ladder: Nonfiction ("The Great Depression" and "It's Electric!") - Answer higher-level thinking questions and create an advertisement for electricity

**Mar. 22-26:** Jacob's Ladder: Nonfiction ("The Metric System vs. the US Customary System") - Answer higher-level thinking questions; TEST Fri., Mar. 26th; Book Report due Tues., Mar. 30th