**Weekly Minutes- Week of February 15, 2015**

**Great job to all the teachers on their M-Step preparation!! Classrooms looked great and we heard lots of positive feedback about the lessons from the teachers!**

**Staff Shout-outs**

Spelling Bee Committee on an excellent job with the assembly!!

Mrs. Burk…… for her excellent work getting the Valentine’s Day dance together!!!

Ms. McGuire…..for organizing the Candy Grams and passing them out!!

Alicia, Betty, David, Lily, Patty, Martha, Marcee, Sebok, Zamora….. for helping out with the dance!!!

Ms. Moore and Mrs. Rivera…. for using M-Step practice as lessons for reading!!

**In the Classroom**

Melissa Termine…. for her excellent lesson with close reading strategies where students read, re-read and practiced finding the answers in the text independently. While students were practicing, she walked around to give them feedback on their work and assisted for students who were struggling. Perfectly aligned to the CCSS!!!

Ashley Colovos…… for her differentiated math lesson where students were grouped by level, the math lesson was taught in small groups using the promethean to teach while the other students were working on homework, independent practice or Frog Games to review skills. Great job differentiating for struggling students.

Janice Richardson…. for her science lesson where students built background knowledge with partners about the moon and wrote notes in their notebooks in a KWL chart. When students’ shared-out answers, they were asked to agree/disagree with what they heard. Excellent use of SIOP strategies!!

**Weekly Notes**

* **The Scantron reward field trip to the Science Center is Friday, February 20th. NAMES WILL BE SENT OUT FOR STAFF THAT WILL ATTEND.**
* **Walk-through look-fors this week:**

**More with M-Step, bellringers, formative assessments and objectives updated to your lesson. Please be sure you are using objectives!!**

* **Keep up with grades, be sure you have your weighting in, and DON’T FORGET TO LABEL EXAMS WITH CCSS!!! I have report due, and will be asking for this if it is not done. Just a friendly reminder that this IS an expectation!**

**Staff Out this Week**

**Wednesday 2/18/15**

Helsel- Royal

Kuykendall- Goodley

**Thursday 2/19/15**

Helsel- Royal

Kuykendall- Goodley

**Friday 2/12/15**

Helsel- Royal

Kuykendall- Goodley

**REMINDERS AND UPCOMING EVENTS!!**

**SIGN UP FOR YOUR DATA MEETING IF YOU HAVEN’T!!**

**February 20th- RtI Data review….**

**February 20th- Science Center Field Trip**

**February 20th, Leadership meeting 7:15 Media Center**

**February 23rd- Quarter 2 award ceremony. Times were emailed…PLEASE BE SURE TO FILL OUT YOUR CERTIFICATES**

**February 24th, MOCK NCA visit; we will discuss some norms for the classrooms**

**February 25th- 3 goals met field trip**

**February 27th, TLG Spelling Bee**

**February 27th, PROGRESS REPORTS ARE DUE!!!!**

**March 3 and 4th- Parent teacher conferences**

**March 6th. PD Day: Anet Data and NCA Preperation**

**March 10th. Staff Meeting**

**March 16th-18th NCA Visit and Audit**

**March 18th- 3rd Grade RtI**

**March 20th- 4th Grade RtI**

**March 27th- 5th Grade RtI**

**March 26th- Literacy Night, Science Fair Projects due (new due date)**

**March 31st- Cesar Chavez Birthday Celebration and Community Service Project**

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**Sincerely,**

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