



THIRD GRADE LEOPARD

LOW-DOWN



Legend Springs
Elementary School
Glendale, AZ

January 27, 2014

Reading Goal: I will read 123 or more words correctly in 1 minute.

Math Goal: I will recall 100 multiplication facts in 5 minutes.

SAVE THE DATE...

JANUARY

**Jan. 31 - Flagpole Friday and
January Behavior Party**

FEBRUARY

Feb. 04 - K-3 Reading Night 5:30 p.m.

Feb. 05 - Full Release/No School

**Feb. 07 - Flagpole Friday and
Father/Daughter Dance**

**Feb. 10 - 3rd grade field trip - Science
Center**

PLEASE SIGN PERMISSION SLIP!

Feb. 10 - PTA Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

**Feb. 14 - Flagpole Friday and Valentine's
Day Party 2:25-3:25 p.m.**

Feb. 17 - President's Day - No School

Feb. 21 - Flagpole Friday

**Feb. 28 - Flagpole Friday and February
Behavior Party**

SCIENCE

S.T.E.M Project

Students are looking forward to being able to start their lighting design for their "tomb" (a.k.a. shoebox).

This whole lighting unit is centered on the story we read to introduce the unit, which is set in Egypt and addresses the optical engineering involved in how light was reflected inside pharaohs' tombs. Students will be working with their peers to incorporate knowledge of light travel, reflection, intensity with creativity to design and build a system of mirrors (and other misc. materials) to bend the beam of light (from the flashlight) to illuminate hieroglyphics on the tomb walls. The system will be evaluated based on light intensity & total cost of their design (using faux money, of course). I hope to have time remaining for students to be able to present their designs to the class.

This Week's Specials...

Mon-	Badger-PE Nelson-Art	DeVargas-PE Sromek-Music
Tues	- Badger-Music Nelson-PE	Devargas-Art Sromek-PE
Wed-	Badger-PE Nelson- Music	DeVargas-PE Sromek-Art
Thurs-	Badger-Art Nelson-PE	DeVargas-Music Sromek-PE
Fri-	Badger-PE Nelson-Music	Devargas-PE Sromek-Art

Students of the Week:

Badger-Allyson Huynh
DeVargas- Sam Caccavale
Nelson-Sofia Cory
Sromek-Paris Poppen

Box Top Count is

Badger-117
DeVargas-987
Nelson-976
Sromek-125

NEEDED...

We are running low on supplies such as antibacterial wipes, paper towels and tissues. Any donations would be greatly appreciated!

Question of the Week?

What unique traits does it take to be the first to do something?

Last Week's Question?

Students learned that interests:

- Are valuable
- Lead to learning and research
- Lead to a job
- Preserve information

Reading...

America's Champion Swimmers: Gertrude Ederle

By David A. Adler

Genre: Biography/Social Studies

Phonics/Word Analysis: Suffixes -er, -or, -ess, -ist (teacher, inventor)

Comprehension Skill: Fact and Opinion- A **statement of fact** tells something that can be proved true or false. You can prove it true or false by reading, observing, or asking an expert. A **statement of opinion** tells a person's ideas or feelings. It cannot be proved true or false.

Comprehension Strategy: Questioning

Vocabulary Skill: Multiple-Meaning Words

Conventions: Contractions

Fluency: Appropriate Phrasing

Vocabulary...

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| 1. celebrate | 2. current |
| 3. medals | 4. continued |
| 5. drowned | 6. stirred |
| 7. strokes | |

Math...

Our focus this week will continue to be on understanding the relationship between multiplication and division. I will be using Investigations Units.

I was really proud of all the students that took advantage of my offer to correct and return tests! They showed a lot of responsibility, in doing so!

Make sure your child is accessing **IXL** for at least **10 min/night**. I will be taking grades from IXL. This week we will work on skills I have targeted as needed review or practice. They are: **G12, E15, A1 and A4**. Please make sure your child is working on these skills.

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Build Your Vocabulary with Amazing Words - 187

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| 1. ordinary | 2. imagination |
| 3. assemble | 4. magnificent |
| 5. organize | 6. erect |
| 7. suspend | 8. accompany |
| 9. provision | 10. spectacle |

Writing...

What to expect this week.....

- Week 23 writing skills packet
- Six Traits - Voice
- Response to Literature practice
- Phonics Test
- Explain Why Writing piece
- Writer's Notebook activity