

# WEEKLY NEWS

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## Dates at a Glance:

1/20 No School +  
Garden Volunteer Party  
9:00am-1:00pm

1/27-1/31 The Great  
Kindness Challenge

1/31 Awards Assembly  
and Mismatch Day

## Upcoming Birthdays:

Noah—Jan 19th

Teagan—Jan 26th

## Homeplay:

Math game: Roll 3 Digits

Spelling: Homophones

Reading Challenge:  
due next Wed. by noon

WHN: 2 written entries  
due Monday (ok to turn  
in early)



## Midway Field Trip

We had a very successful field trip to the Midway on Friday, packed with a lot of information and interesting facts. Hopefully your child told you all about what he/she found interesting. If you haven't had a chance to peek yet, I uploaded a bunch of photos to Seesaw.

A big thank you to our five drivers/chaperones: Sarah Boyd, Hayes Hokanson, Deanna Meier, Tamra Beck, and Lara Vellocido.

## Martin Luther King, Jr.

We will read about MLK, Jr. in class this week and students will have the option to extend their reading via books in their *Epic!* app. We'll also discuss what it means to advocate for self and others.

## My Gift to the World

Last week students chose a word to embody their 'gift to the world' (kindness, humor, helping, etc.) This week, they'll write a final draft which will be up for

## Garden Party

Mr. Kardos will host a volunteer party in the garden on Monday, Jan. 20th (MLK, Jr. Day) 9:00am to 1:00pm. Come join in the fun-in-the-sun and help our garden!

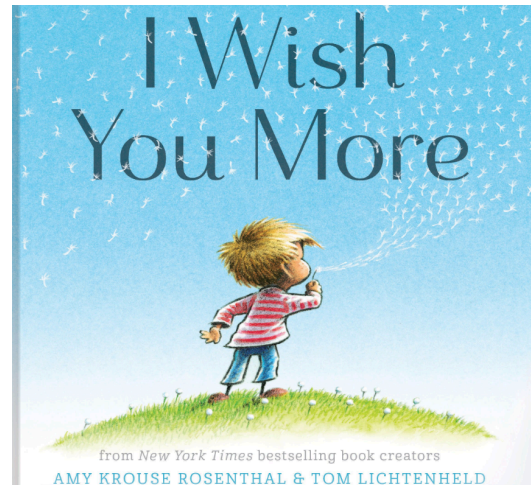
## Inspirations:

*"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."* ~Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

your reading enjoyment by the end of the week.

## I Wish You More

We'll also read *I Wish You More* by Amy Krouse Rosenthal which will spring-board us into a little mini writing and art project.



The book fits in seamlessly with MLK's nonviolent message and our focus on using our gifts to positively impact the world. It is my hope that we can 'publish' our "*I wish you more...*" writing into a little class book. I make these books via Shutterfly which isn't cheap. Please let me know if you'd love to sponsor this book (usually around \$30). Thank you!

## Writer's Homeplay Notebook

This class is off to a wonderful start with their Writers' Homeplay Notebooks. Congratulations amazing learners! And way to start building your 'writerly' life!

## Coming Up Next Week...

To tie in with our Midway field trip and everything else we're doing, students will write about someone who is their hero. This can be a family member, a sports figure, a person in history, etc. Please talk with your child about who this might be and why. Thanks!

And have a happy week! ~ Ms. Boyesen