

THE WEEKLY LAB

**January 9, 2012**

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***“SNIFFING” THROUGH THE CURRICULUM!***

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* **Reading-** Last week students practiced asking “skinny” and “fat” questions after reading nonfiction text. This week we will learn about the skill of making inferences while reading. Students’ oral reading fluency has been assessed. A great way for your child to practice this skill at home is to listen to him/her read aloud.
* **Math-** Last week the students analyzed data by describing the median, mode, range, and mean of the set of data. They also displayed data by constructing bar and line graphs. This week we will be reviewing algebra concepts, such as simplifying expressions using order of operations and solving for a variable.
* **Writing-** The students are thrilled to have begun fiction writing! We have been learning strategies such as creating believable characters and keeping a balance between imaginative and realistic details. The students will use planning strategies to organize their ideas.
* **Science-** The students are learning about food chemistry with Mrs. Boecke. The students have tested foods for starch, glucose, and fats. Please know that they will be assessed on this unit on January 18.

Mrs. Boecke is providing a study guide for the students to prepare for this test.

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**“PAWS” FOR THESE DATES:**

**1/11- Parent Input Night**

 **@ 6:15 PM**

**1/13- Early Release**

**1/16- MLK Day- No School**

**1/17- Science Fair @ 6:15**

**1/23- Workday- No School**

**1/27- Quarter 2 report cards**

**P.B.S.**

**Positive Behavior Support**

**NEWS TO “BARK” ABOUT!**

LABS

**Listen & follow directions**

**Act respectfully**

**Behave responsibly**

**Succeed!!**

Congrats!! We have earned 100 BONES!!

Keep up awesome LABS behavior!

**Homework-** Please check your child’s homework each night. Assignments are written in agenda books and posted on our class website. Thank you for your support with the weekly math and reading contracts. Please remember that parent signatures are required.

**Website-** The students have done a great job participating in the weekly survey question and assignment on the class website. Please continue to use this resource at home.

<http://richardsonhre.weebly.com>

**Happy New Year!** I hope you’ve had a great start to 2012! The students had a fabulous return to school after such a long break and were eager to learn.

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