

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Newsletter



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“Families are a valuable asset to a child’s education.”  
家庭是學生教育的一個非常重要的組成部分。

### Reading/Novel Study 讀書 / 小說學習

Room 201 Novel study: In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson  
Room 202 Novel study: In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson  
Room 313 Reading Street: What Jo Did and Coyote School News  
Novel Study: Stuart Little

### Writing 寫作

Room 201 Poetry  
Room 202 Poetry  
Room 313 Poetry

## **Math** 數學

Room 201, 202, and 313

Topic 7: Factors and Multiples

Topic 8: Fraction Ordering and Equivalence

## **Science** 科學

Room 201 and 202

Students will explore properties of permanent magnets, use a magnet to detect objects made from iron, explore the force of magnetism through a variety of materials and measure the force and changes in the force of attraction between magnets. Lastly, we will find ways to detect and “see” the magnetic force.

Room 313 The unit of rock cycle and Earth’s processes. This unit takes the perspective that every rock has a story. Students will develop an appreciation for the processes that shape the Earth’s surface. After considering where volcanoes form and how they erupt, they turn to investigations of rocks breaking apart and creating potential hazards. Through hands-on investigation, students explore the world of rocks and design ways of protecting humans from their dangers

## **Social Studies** 社會科學

Room 201 and 202: Students will learn the important features of the Northwest Territory, and how Illinois Territory came to be, as well as to know the process of westward expansion.

Students will learn causes of the War of 1812, and how it impacted the Northwest Territory.

Room 313: Students will learn regional resources and government in the United States.

## **SEL topic:**

**Self-Motivation** - Yequi Liang (Room 201); Xiang Ning He (Room 202);  
Isabella Li (Room 313)

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## **Important Dates 重要日期**

December 24, 2018 to January 4, 2019 Winter break

January 7, 2019 Return to school

January 21, 2019 Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday (no school)

January 31, 2019 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter

February 1, 2019 Staff Development Day (no school)

## **Highlight of December**

Room 201: Students use their artistic talents to make snowflakes, ninja transformers, stick people and stockings with Christmas puns. They also donated money to make Wonder Bags to cheer children at Lurie's Children Hospital.

Room 202: We have been learning to use Reading Strategies to read such as 3 Reads, I-Pick, and Read-to-Self. Students also have bags of books that they are learning to pick or shop for. Please ask your child what book they are picking and why. Students should be reading daily for at least 20 minutes with these kind of books and filling in their Reading Stamina sheet.

Room 313: Students participated Hour of Code programming during the month of December to support computer science in education.

# Haines Stars of the Weeks

	Room 201	Room 202	Room 313
January 7	Anton Lee-Kline	Pingrong Huang	Junjie Kuang
January 14	Jason Li	Susana Jiang	Qiqi Lai
January 21	Karen Li	Alexander Jones	Isabella Li
January 28	Steven Li	Lanae Jones	Kayli Liang



## January Birthday

Room 201	Room 202	Room 313
Danny Lau - 5 <sup>th</sup>	Alvin Chen - 9 <sup>th</sup> Niki Shi - 14 <sup>th</sup> Ziying Tan - 28 <sup>th</sup>	Lizhi Xiong - 6 <sup>th</sup> Marcus Choi - 17 <sup>th</sup> Jiaying Chen - 22 <sup>nd</sup>