

# May Newsletter

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McKinley Elementary School

## Dates to Remember:

- May 1 All Phantom Ranch Forms are due.
- May 4 Ice Cream Sandwich Sale Day (Bring \$1.00 for a sandwich.) Early Release 11:21a.m.
- May 7 Phy. Ed. Day E (Wear gym shoes.)
- May 10 Schoolwide Meeting 7:45a.m. (Birthdays and awards announced)
- May 11 Baby Picture Due for Ceremony. Ice Cream Sandwich Sale Day (Bring \$1.00 for a sandwich.) Early Release 11:21a.m.
- May 14 Phy Ed. Day E (Wear gym shoes.)
- May 16-18 Phantom Ranch (Parents MUST pickup students to be dismissed at 2:00p.m.)
- May 21 Phy. Ed Day E (Wear gym shoes.)
- May 25 Early Release 11:21a.m. (No lunch.)
- May 28 No School (Memorial Day)

**Writing:** 4th Quarter is Grammar and Journaling Using Appropriate Conventions - Writers pay attention to the verbs in their writing. Writers choose verbs that are descriptive. Writers check to make sure that all verbs in their pieces are in the same tense. Writers use conjunctions to join together simple sentences and/or phrases to create compound sentences. Writers use prepositions to combine simple sentences into compound sentences. Writers use interjections—phrases or a word that express emotion feeling, or meaning.

**Reading:** Students are discovering THEMES.

**Math:** In Unit 10, students will practice plotting points on a coordinate grid and be introduced to transformations of figures. Area of rectangles will be reviewed and used as a starting point for areas of triangles, and parallelograms. In Unit 11 students will review properties of 3-D shapes and develop formulas for finding volume.

**Social Studies:** In Social Studies Unit 9, students will know the causes of the Civil War, strategies and key battles, the significance of the Emancipation Proclamation, the events that led to the end of the Civil War, and the different plans for Reconstruction including the new amendments to the Constitution. We will conclude our year with small group reading of biographies.

**Science:** Students will conduct scientific inquiries into the movement of energy through a medium, such as sound waves through water. They will plan investigations with peers and collect data to support their scientific arguments.