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Field Trip Coming Up

We are having a field trip to the California Missions Museum on March 28th. Some permission forms are still missing; if needed, please return the form ASAP. We need one more driver. If you can drive, please let me know.

The State Writing Test

The children completed their STAR test on Tuesday. I was very proud of how seriously each child took this challenge. You will find out the results in the STAR Parent Report that you receive, every year, in the mail.

What We've Been Studying

We are winding up our study of Life Science. The emphasis has been on experiences such as a fungus investigation, an experiment about plants and seed dispersal, an activity to see how animal populations change over time, and an owl pellet dissection. Next, the children will study Earth Science (rocks and minerals, erosion, volcanoes, glaciers, etc.) In Math, the children have been studying fractions, and area/perimeter. In Social Studies they are completing their study of

the Bear Flag Revolt and have designed their own flag that represents them. They are making this flag using KidPix in the computer lab. In Reading studnets are studying drawing conclusions, making inferences, and comparing and contrasting after having read two or three short essays or stories.

Dates to Remember

- March 13th: Science Fair, public viewing 3pm-6pm
- March 15th: Deadline for Kindergarten Registration
- · March 20th: Book Report is due
- March 22nd: 4th Grade Drama
 Presentation in MPR at 8:30am
 (no evening performance)
- March 22nd: Report Cards go home.



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