

Room 5 News

MCCORNACK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

APRIL 10, 2017

BECKY CASADO



William, Jonathan, Garrett, Kieran, Jinjin and Saira had a great time creating a “robot” with recycled containers and materials. Our class really enjoyed our sessions with Artist, Maiya Becker.

Human Growth and Development Classes

This week, fifth graders will begin their health unit on Human Growth and Development. There will be 3 sessions taking place at 12:45-2:00 on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. A parent preview of these lessons took place last Tuesday, April 4th.

Writing Opinions

Our class will continue to work on persuasive essays this week. Students have been reading and discussing a number of opinion articles and learning the structure of writing to express an opinion. This week students will begin writing their rough drafts.

March/April Book Project

Students have been assigned a book project for March/April. The genre is Fantasy or Adventure. Most students have checked out their book for the project. A few students have asked to

read books from their own collections. I am fine with this as long as they bring the book to school for me to check reading level and content. Instructions for the project have been sent home. Students have a choice to do either a Pop-up Book Project or a Book Commercial. The due date for this project has been extended to **Friday, April 21st.**

Library Books are Due

We have quite a few students who have library books that have been overdue for a while. We are hoping to get those books back in circulation so that other students will get a chance to enjoy them. Please try your best to find the books and return them soon. The library is sponsoring a contest and prizes for the class that has the least number of books out. Our class is hoping to do our part.

OAKS/Smarter Balanced Science Assessment

Fifth graders have worked very hard this year learning core concepts and skills in all curricular areas. They will begin the first in a series of statewide assessments next week beginning with the Science OAKS Assessment. English Language Arts and math assessments will also take place in late April and May. I will send home an updated schedule, as well as helpful tips for supporting your child as we get closer to those assessment dates.

Mark Your Calendar

April 11th- PTO Fundraiser Papa's Pizza Night

April 10th, 12th, & 13th - Human Growth & Development student sessions, 12:45-2:00 p.m.

April 22nd- Future Chef Cook Off, Sheldon High School, Zion & Ava will be representing McCornack