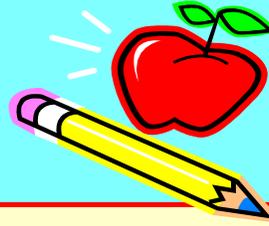


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## April News

### Reading Street

We will start the sixth theme in our series during April. During this theme we will be learning about "Traditions". We will find the answers to the following questions by reading stories. Why are sports important in our country? (*Just Like Josh Gibson*) Why are family celebrations special? (*A Birthday Basket for Tia*) Why should we learn about cowboys? (*Cowboys*) What are some different ways that people celebrate? (*Jingle Dancer*) What does our flag mean? (*Red, White, and Blue*)

### Writing

The students have been doing a great job writing persuasive pieces. The purpose of persuasive writing is to convince the reader to think or act a certain way. So far the students have written a piece about the best cookie (between Oreo or chocolate chip). In addition, they have written about the best season and best special. They also wrote a piece to persuade "Scaredy Squirrel" to come out of his tree. The students are having a lot of fun persuading others.

### Spirit Day from Mrs. Hovanec

Let's celebrate how hard we have been working by showing everyone our favorite "Thinking Cap!" On Tuesday, April 30, students and staff are encouraged to wear their favorite hat to school. Boys and girls, you may want to put your name inside your hat in the event it gets lost or misplaced.

Thank you for participating in our Spirit Day!!

### Math

We are starting our unit on money this week. During this unit the students will be counting coins as well as dollar bills. They will also problem solve with given coins. If your child had difficulty identifying the coins and/or the value, please help him/her at home.

### The Tale of Despereaux

We are having a lot of fun discussing The Tale of Despereaux each day. Please help your child participate in our discussions by reading the book with him/her. At the end of the book study, we will gladly take the book back so that other schools can do the same program.

### Hershey Zoo

We are going to the Zoo on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will leave the school around 9:00 AM and will return around 2:00 PM. Permission slips will be coming home on Tuesday. The PTO is paying for the bus as well as the admission for students. Parents are invited to join us for \$8. I am only able to take a few parents on the bus with us; the others will be asked to meet us at the zoo.

### Upcoming Events

**PTO Meeting:** Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

**RAZ kids program:** Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

**Skating Party:** Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

**Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

**Race for Education:** Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

**Spirit Day:** Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>

**Field Trip:** Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>