

NEWS FROM ROOM 15

"I'll touch the future. I teach." - Christa McAuliffe

Dates to Remember

Skating Party

-Thursday, March 31

Beach Day

-Thursday, March 31

Spring Break

-Friday, April 1 - Friday,
April 8

Hats for a Cause

-Wednesday, April 20

Fun Night

-Friday, April 22

Jenison History Field Trip

-Tuesday, May 24

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Spring Break and an Announcement

I want to wish everyone a refreshing and relaxing Spring Break, whether you are heading out of Michigan or having a Staycation at home, I hope you enjoy every minute.

I also want to share something with all of you. Some of you are aware that I was engaged a few months ago. My fiancé lives in Portage, and next school year I will be joining him there. As a result, I will not be returning to Jenison next year. I will miss Jenison very much, but I am excited for the new opportunities ahead.





Reading

During Reading this week we took a break from Storytown and instead did a simulation activity. Remember the old Oregon Trail computer program we used to play? Well, we played the Oregon Trail again, but this time with a small group. We had to problem solve and collaborate and make decisions together. It was a great exercise in working as a team, compromise, and planning.

Writing

Our next writing unit is a unit on writing informational text. We began this week by brainstorming ideas about topics we know a lot about to write about, and then thinking about different subcategories we can divide that subject into. Those subcategories will be our table of contents.

Math

We finished our unit on fractions this past week. We will continue to review fraction concepts during our concept board time over the rest of the year. Our next unit will be a study of measurement. We will be learning about time, elapsed time, and measurements of mass and capacity, specifically with grams and kilograms and liters and milliliters. We are also working on lots of problem solving tasks that involve multiple steps and lots of different math concepts. Time tests will continue every Thursday, continue working on facts at home.

Science

This week we are finishing our study of physical science, both light and sound. When we return from Spring Break we will begin our final science unit, which is a study of Life Science. We will be looking at both the plant kingdom and the animal kingdom.

