

News from Room 211

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Coloma Elementary School

Exciting News for Our Class!

Important Dates	
Library Day, PE shoes	Mon.
	Tues.
	Wed.
	Thurs.
Spelling Test	Fri.

We have some new equipment for our classroom! I recently posted a donation request for a **data projector** for our classroom and, through the generosity of family members and two parents of Coloma Elementary students (Brenda Crisenbery and Mindy Watson!), it was funded. We are now the proud owners of an Epson data projector, and boy, have we been using it this week! We've used it during writing time for the write-together and in social studies to show pictures of things we're

talking about. We were able to look up a mining company while we were talking about the history of mining in this state.

We also have a set of "**clickers**" loaned to us. With the clickers, I can ask a question and everyone enters the answer with their clicker. Then, we can see the percentage of kids who got the right answer. That way, instead of only one child getting called on to answer a question, everyone is expected to answer every question! We've practiced using the clickers on a few

tests, but for now, we're sticking to pencil-paper tests. That way, students won't get lower scores just because they didn't use the clicker correctly, and you'll still get your child's paper in the Friday Folder.

Next, I paid for a subscription to **spelling-city.com**. You can access this website from home! If your child logs in, you can see their spelling tests online and how they are doing on their spelling assignments (They have three assignments to complete in class each

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Spelling List	
where	wheel
what	when
whip	whale
while	want
watched	wear
went	warm
would	weep
was	

Homework for the week of 4-9

Monday: Math homelink, read

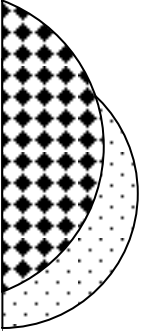
Tuesday: Reading sheet, read

Wednesday: Math homelink, read

Thursday: Spelling sheet, read

Friday: No homework, except to read each day over the weekend.





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Specials Schedule

Monday: PE, Music, Library

Tuesday: Art

Wednesday: Music

Thursday: Art

Friday: Music

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Mom would never say

Things Mom Would Never Say

- "How on earth can you see the TV sitting so far back?"
- "Yeah, I used to skip school a lot, too"
- "Just leave all the lights on ... it makes the house look more cheery"
- "Let me smell that shirt -- Yeah, it's good for another week"
- "Go ahead and keep that stray dog, honey. I'll be glad to feed and walk him every day"
- "Well, if Timmy's mom says it's OK, that's good enough for me."
- "The curfew is just a general time to shoot for. It's not like I'm running a prison around here."
- "I don't have a tissue with me ... just use your sleeve"
- "Don't bother wearing a jacket - the wind-chill is bound to improve"

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week and are allowed to take the test on Thursdays or Fridays.

Last, the school has purchased a subscription to **Moby Math** (runmoby.com). Your child can log in at home and work on this website during the school year and breaks. **If you feel your child needs to "catch up" or you want them to get a head start on 4th grade, this would be a great resource!** The kids take a placement test

(everyone has done this), and based on the results, they are assigned lessons. It hits those areas your child struggles in or just hasn't learned yet.

With only a few exceptions, I have had to discuss **behavior expectations with the whole class**. I know the kids are excited about Spring Break, but they need to remember basic rules. 1. Don't interrupt when someone is talking. 2. Raise your hand to be called on instead of blurting out. 3. Stay on topic. 4. Save conversations

with friends for recess or non-work times. If you could help reinforce these, I would appreciate it.

Well, have a wonderful Spring Break, and I hope it is a relaxing time for your family! Don't forget to read a few books!

*correction to the newsletter from last week...It was Sgt. Morrow, not Folsom.