



The

TIMES' TIMES

February 14, 2019

Reminders

Animal research project for Mrs. Torch **must** be completed. Please have at least 3 sources for your research for the works cited page.

Cursive homework is due the Monday we return from break.

Please help your student to carve out 35 minutes to read each night. By the end of the school year, your student should be reading a sustained time of 40 minutes.

All students have a login for Khan Academy and may practice skills at home! Also, students should be practicing their keyboarding skills with every opportunity. Dance Mat Typing is a great site for just that!



Special Events

February Break: Feb. 18th – 22nd

Read Across America Day: March 1st

Volunteer Tea: March 8th

Spirit Night at Mellow Mushroom: March 12th

Early Release: March 13th

Family Dance: March 22nd

Cultural Arts Day: March 29th

This Month's Focus

Reading- *Storyworks

- ❖ Building a reading & writing life
- ❖ Building our reading stamina and vocabulary
- ❖ The 40 Book Challenge

Writing- Informational Essays

- ❖ This will be based on the animal research assignment from Mrs. Torch.
- ❖ Essays should include information on the animal's
 - physical characteristics,
 - habitat, and
 - what it eats (& where it is on the food chain).
- ❖ We will begin essays after February break.

Language Arts-

- ❖ Figurative Language
 - Idioms
 - Similes and Metaphors
- ❖ Prepositions and prepositional phrases
- ❖ Writing compound & complex sentences
- ❖ Synonyms and Antonyms