T.E.A.M. REPORT

**“Breakfast with a Book”…Friday, May 17**

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Curriculum

***Reading*** – Our new unit for Reading is called Research Clubs. We are back with our Book Club members but this time each group is reading and researching about an animal. The animals are snakes, dolphins, polar bears, bats, penguins and sharks. Each group has decided on their subtopics and have divided up the research. Some groups are VERY organized. At the end of the project they will take their information that they learned and put it into Book Creator for a mini book about their subtopic. My goal is for them to share their books to a small group of primary group children. I think they would do a great job presenting and teaching the younger children facts about their animal. Be sure to ask your child which one he/she is learning about.

***Writing –*** The last few classes we have been working on Diamante poems. There are two patterns the students can choose from. I am loving the topics the students are choosing to write about. We will print them and then illustrate them. We will end the year with some more poetry options or free choice. I am very proud at the writers they have become, I hope that they see themselves this way as well.

***Math*** – We have begun our last Module, Geometry. The first three lessons cover multistep word problems and that is a great review for us to show our thinking and explain our answer in a sentence. We will move on to two dimensional figures and their attributes. Math homework will continue through the week of May 27.

***Social Studies –*** We have moved into Oak Park History to learn about the Kettlestring’s life in early Oak Park. We are hoping to do a walking field trip to the Oak Park Historical Society on Lake Street and Harvey. When the date and time are set, we will get back to you.

\*\*Keep an eye out for the 2nd & 3rd grades End of the Year picnic permission slip that will go home next week.\*\*

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**Assembly**

Wow! What a moving OBOS Assembly we had this past Wednesday! All grades K-5 sat together in the gym and listened to the last chapter read by a few 5th grade students. We then talked about the different lessons Edward Tulane learned throughout his journey. The students were very engaged and it was a perfect way to end the book!

Thank you again to the PTO for covering the expense of the books. It is such a rewarding experience to do this together. In our Assembly, we talked about how this experience brings us together as a school and makes all of us belong to our special Whittier family and community!



Upcoming Dates:

  **PTO End-of-the Year Picnic** – May 17 – 5:00-7:00

 **Book Report due: ”Breakfast with a Book”** – Fri., May 17

**Spring SLAM Showcase –** May 20 (gr. K, 3, 4) and May 21 (gr. 1, 2, 5) from 5:30-8:30.

**Memorial Day Tribute** –May 23 3rd-5th grade classes

**Memorial Day, No School** –Mon., May 27

**Olympic Day-**Tues., May 28

**Last Day of School-**Thur., June 6

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