



# The Gurdraza Gazette

November 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>

## Teacher Notes

- You can now sign up for Parent/Teacher Conferences on-line.  
<http://www.lisle.dupage.k12.il.us/vparentteacher/>
- Please return the conference question form by this Friday. Thank you!

### Questions/Comments:

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Ms. Gurss - [agurss@lisle202.org](mailto:agurss@lisle202.org)

## Important Dates

**November 11** - No School Veteran's Day

**November 13** - End of the 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester

**November 17** - Architecture projects due for AT Math

**November 20-24** - Parent Teacher Conferences

**November 23** - Early Dismissal

**November 24-27** - No School Thanksgiving Break

## Mrs. Podraza – Language Arts

The students will be learning about questioning this week. In guided reading, the students will continue reading different books from the fantasy genre which include: *The City of Ember*, *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*, *The Good, the Bad, and the Goofy*, and *the Littles*. In Writing the students will continue writing a persuasive essay. They will be working on completing their rough drafts.

## Ms. Gurss - Language Arts

Our Chris Van Allsburg group projects will be presented on Friday. I am excited to see how the students have used their higher level thinking skills to complete their group tasks! November's Poetry Day will be November 19<sup>th</sup>. The students will also begin work composing a persuasive essay along with Mrs. Podraza's Language Arts class. The topic is confidential and will be shared at conference time! All student AR quizzes for the trimester must be taken by this Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Mrs. Podraza – Math

The students will begin Unit 4 which covers fractions. This week they will be putting fractions in order and learning how to test if two fractions are equivalent. They will also learn how to rename fractions. They should be researching their skyscraper at home for their architecture project which is due November 17<sup>th</sup>.

## Ms. Gurss - Math

We continue to work on division (Topic 4). Students will take "Division Mad Minutes" to continue basic fact review. Students will also continue with the Math Practice Weekly worksheets. Please keep making sure your child has all their math homework in their backpack for the next day!

## Social Studies

The students will be further learning about the lost colony of Roanoke. They will be working on a timeline to present the events that occurred.

## Science

We will finish our next part of the Variables Unit on flight. The students will be creating their own controlled experiments with their Foss planes.

### Wall of Fame

Mrs. Podraza Language Arts - Calli, Caitlin, Christian, Parker, Dave, Ramses, Jorge, Momo, Timmy, Cory, Gianni

Mrs. Podraza Spelling (100%) - Emma, Skylar, Nicholas, Mark, Mya, Mary, Katie, Timmy, Andy

Mrs. Podraza Math - Emma, Trevor, Andy, Timmy, Nicholas, Annica, Julia, Ben Salz., Monisha, Sydney, Meredith, Mark, Cheyenne, Mya, Mary

Miss Gurss' Spelling- Cheyenne, Destany, Makanda, Holly, Monisha, Trevor, Jessica

Miss Gurss' Language Arts- All students passed their Vocabulary and Caesar's English quizzes!

## Character Counts Corner

**Melody** – She is kind and helpful to everyone. (Caring)

**Nicholas** – He wiped down another student's desk and put up his chair. (citizenship)

**Gianni**-He passed out Clorox wipes to each student to wipe their desks down at the end of the day. (citizenship)

**Ramses**-While students waited outside the classroom, he got an adult to come up to class while they waited for Miss Gurss during PLC time. (responsibility)

## Weekly Vocabulary

beseech convenient hoax just prodigious respite sympathize weep  
There is a test over these words on Friday.

Miss Gurss' Language Arts Class-Caesar's English Stems/Vocabulary:

Aqua (water), Audi (Hear), Scrib (Write), Cede (Go), Cise (Cut)-

Quiz will be on Friday.