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### Dear First Grade Parents,

Happy Friday! We hope you are all having a great day! We were just chatting at lunch today about how we cannot believe there are just 5 weeks of the school year left! Time has certainly flown. With the end in sight, there are a couple of very important upcoming dates and event. Please see below and mark your calendars!

## Calling All Animal Projects!

This is a friendly reminder that student's animal projects are due this Monday! Students were asked to create a project about the animal they did for their animal report to showcase five facts they have learned. In case the letter detailing all the specifics wondered off you can find another copy on our website under downloads. We are looking forward to seeing their creativity and watching them present!

## Littleton Historical Museum

We will be taking our final field trip to the Littleton Historical Museum on Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> to supplement our learning on the 13 colonies and exploring the West. Students will get a first-hand look at what life was like in the 1800's and 1900's. Please make sure your child is registered for this exciting trip on the school store. Interested in chaperoning? Contact your student's homeroom teacher!

## **Dibels Testing**

Our final testing day of the year will be Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be no school for first graders, but you do need to sign your student up with their literacy teacher for a testing time. The test will take about 10 minutes. Please bring them 5 minutes early so we can stay on schedule. They can head up to their literacy teacher's classroom, and we'll send them down to meet you in the front lobby when they are finished. This is a mandatory test for all first graders. We appreciate you taking the time to sign them up and bring them in! Please click on your child's literacy teacher to sign them up!

Ms. Carlson Ms. Day Ms. Friesen Ms. Hagemann Ms. Manning Ms. Pumphrey

#### Parents Night Out

In need of a child free night? The final Parent's Night Out is Friday, May 5th. Enjoy a stress free night knowing your child is having a blast at school with Mrs. Anderson and Ms. Friesen until 10pm! We'll eat pizza, play games, create crafts, laugh with friends, and watch a movie in our pajamas. Sign your child up today on the school store!

# **Summer Tutoring**

Interested in helping your student retain the information they have learned this year in either math or literacy? Ms. Friesen will be offering hour long tutoring sessions throughout the summer at the Parker library. Please e-mail her at rfriesen@aak8.org if you are interested.

#### **Classroom Prizes Needed!**

This week we decided to start using classroom dollars as a positive behavior incentive. Students start out with ten dollars a week and can either earn or lose their money depending on their behavior choices. At the end of the week we hold a store in our classrooms where students can spend their hard earned dollars. We are in need of small prizes for

these stores! If you are willing we would love small playdoughs, bouncy balls, small plastic jewelry, pencils, small notebooks, etc. Your child can bring it to their homeroom teacher. Thanks for your help!

# **Important Upcoming Dates**

Apr 28	No School
May 2	Littleton Historical Museum Field Trip
May 3	Dibels Testing Day
May 5	Final Parents Night Out

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Your First Grade Team

Shannon Day, Reandra Friesen, Maggie Hagemann, and Jorie Pumphrey