

Banyan School

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Upcoming Events

Event:	For:	Date:	Time:
Van Saun Park	Mrs. Kowalski's class	June 3	All day
Bowling	2nd Group	June 5	10-12
Frozen	8th grade trip	June 6	All day
Pet Day	All	June 14	8:30-9:15

LIFE SKILLS TRIP

We had a great time using all of our skills on our second life skills trip to the Post Office! The students were all fantastic and kept themselves busy by having small conversations with staff and students while on the long and boring post office line. We had to be flexible when some students were turned away since their letters were going to locations outside of the U.S and therefore needed to be mailed from a different post office location. Dunkin was a blast and all of the students used their money skills in addition to their expected behavior strategies. Another great trip in the books! Looking forward to our next trip! Stay tuned!

Parents, Please check your June calendars for other upcoming events!



MRS. RALLO'S CLASS NEWS

READING- Periods 1 and 8 continue to read their novel each day visualizing and answering questions along the way. Watching a video on penguins tobogganing and nesting in their rookeries has helped the students understand more about the Mr. Popper Penguin character Captain Cook. Students reading Crossover have been working on an activity where they list an event or trait about a character on a post-it note. They then place the note on a poster with the correct character's name. It's fun to see what facts/traits the students recall from the story. Students reading Mr. Popper will be working on this same activity during the upcoming week. All students are encouraged to listen to the chapters read in class on Learning Ally for homework.

T.M.C.-Some students were recently introduced to Author's Purpose. After watching an informational video, students learned the 3 main purposes an author has when writing. They read short stories and sorted them into the following categories: persuasive, informational, or entertainment. Other students reviewed idioms by practicing on Quizlet and recording their scores. It's fun for them to see their progress throughout the year. Prefixes were also reviewed this week. The students were able to recall the meaning of most prefixes, so new cards were added. A lot was accomplished this week!

WRITING- All students completed researching their countries and are ready to begin the report. They will be watching an informational video on writing an introductory paragraph, and afterwards we will compose one together. The next two paragraphs will be written by the students as they use the notecards they have been writing for the past few weeks. Progress is being made!