



Monday, May 16, 2011

Dear parents,

The end of the year is winding down but we are still running in full gear. We will be working on reading goals right up to the last day of school. The students made great gains on their reading STAR tests. I'll send home their scores on their report cards and in their Data notebooks. The additional reading at home makes a significant difference. Please continue to read at home throughout the summer. Good readers make good students!

In science we are enjoying our unit on Solids and Liquids. Students are observing the properties of many solids and liquids. We are also describing what happens when solids and liquids are mixed. Building towers was one of the favorite activities. The students were all given the same materials and were challenged to try to make the tallest tower. Wow! What creative thinkers. We have some future engineers in our class.

Science journals will come home at the end of the month. I think you will be amazed at the science vocabulary the students use and the concepts they have mastered.

We had a wonderful time on our field trip to Circa 21. The students were very well behaved and were good representatives of Grant School. Thank you to all the parents who chaperoned. We extend a special thank you to our PTO. They paid for our busing and admission.

**All students need to bring a plain white T-shirt for Field Day. They will be tie dying the shirts.**

Tomorrow is Leadership Day. We are asking that children dress up a little for this special day. We will have many visitors at our school.

Always feel free to call me or email me if you have any questions or concerns. 264-1967  
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Sincerely,

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