Dear Explorer Families,
We had a great week ending the 2 nd quarter. It's hard to believe we are already starting the 3rd quarter of school! Report cards will come home next Friday. Please remember, next week is a short week for students as they do not have school on Monday ( $1 / 17$ ) or Tuesday ( $1 / 18$ ).

We continue to assign Dreambox lessons. Please ensure that your child is completing at least 5 lessons each week.

## Reminders:

- Please be sure to send in extra masks for your student in case one breaks or gets wet.
- Lunches-menu available online-we take a hot lunch count each day.

Please see below for classroom and curriculum updates.
In ELA this week, students finished writing their Choose-Your-Own-Adventure Narrative about their expert animal. Next week, they will edit and revise their narratives, practice using transitional words \& phrases, and use sensory details \& adjectives. We also started reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory as our book club book over the next few weeks!

In math this week, we began our unit on fractions. We dove into the unit by looking at equivalent fractions, using a variety of tools. Next week, we will review concepts from the 2nd quarter for our NC check-in on Friday.

Looking for more information regarding 4th-grade math, please visit these sites: standards from our math department and Grade Math at a Glance This site can be used to help with word problem practice involving all operations

In science this week, students began learning about animal habitats. We took a closer look at forests, deserts, rain forest, oceans, ponds, and the arctic. Next week, we will continue learning more about these habitats. We will also observe some live animals - millipedes, crabs, and frogs.

The Positivity Project/Morning Meeting - This week students focused on the importance of Prudence! Next week, we will focus on perseverance. Please ask your student about our Positivity Project-it is one of the most important parts of our day. If you would like to continue exploring the Positivity Project at home, you can find some resources here!

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions you may have. Thank you for your support! Enjoy the long weekend!

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## Important Dates

January 14th - End of Quarter 2
January 17th - Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School) January 18th - Teacher Workday (No School) January 2lst - Report Cards Go Home January 2lst - Students take their second NC Check-In

## AIG

Reading: Monday and
Tuesday (1-1:30)
Math: Wednesday (2:10-2:50)

## SPECIALS SCHEDULE

Monday: Holiday - No School
Tuesday: Teacher Workday
Wednesday: STEM
Thursday: PE (Hughes)
Friday: PE


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