

Aspen Class

Upcoming Dates & Events

- **Wednesday, 1/25/12**
Aspen Pancake Breakfast
- **Thursday, 1/26/12**
Biography Book Report due
- **Friday, 1/27/12**
Minimum Day
Noon Dismissal
Report Cards sent home in green folders
- **Friday, 2/3/12**
100th Day of School
- **Thursday, 2/16/12**
Science Fair
3:00-5:00

A Note from the Teachers:

You may have noticed a new addition to the class work plan—Accelerated Math (AM) has officially become part of CMP's practice for the STAR test! Here's how it works:

- Students are given a diagnostic test to determine which objectives of the California State Standards for Mathematics they need extra practice with.
- They are given a packet for diagnosing these objectives or practicing those that need work. When they

are finished, their answers are either entered manually into the computer or recorded on a Scan-tron (which the kids then get to send through the scanner—It's very exciting!). A TOPS Report prints to show how well they did (just like Accelerated Reader).

- Students then review missed problems with Ms. Yarbrough before receiving their new assignments.
- Third graders receive their assignments on Tuesdays and Thursdays and must have them

completed by Wednesdays and Fridays, respectively.

- Second graders receive their assignments on Mondays and Wednesdays and must have them completed by Tuesdays and Thursdays, respectively.

Ms. Yarbrough and
Mrs. Fagan

Healthy Snack Suggestion of the Week:

Trail Mix (We are working hard in the classroom to instill making good food choices for snack: combining protein and a complex carbohydrate.)

A Quote from Maria Montessori

(From the Montessori Decalogue)

2. Never speak ill of a child in his presence or absence.

Homework: (Parents: please check your child's work for accuracy)

Spelling: Lesson 15

Math: Math 4 Today
Recommendation: 1 row, front and back per day

Reading: 20 minutes per night; please write book on the front of the planner

Practical Life/Next Project:
Biography Book Report due 1/26/12

Cultural Studies:

Art: Storybook Illustrations

Botany: Tree Parts Study

Geography: Study of Biomes
(Plants and People)

History: 2-Timeline of Life

3-Survival of the Fittest

VAPA: Music around the World

Zoology: Arthropods

Aspen Class Managers

1/23: Raegan

1/30: Lucas

2/6: Ryan Elizabeth

2/13: Skylare

2/20 Emily G

For a lovely touch, class managers are asked to please bring in flowers for our table vases.

