

## April 2007

## Mrs. Naylor

"Second Grade Paleontologists discover dinosaur skeletons at local park!"



In the picture you can see the students arranging the "fossils" together.

We sure enjoyed the beautiful Spring day yesterday. During Science class, we took a trip over the bridge to the Christy Mathewson Park to "dig up" the fossils from three different dinosaurs. It was a great way for the students to experience the lesson "hands on", and create a memory that they can relate to when the topic of fossils is taught in future years.

Here's an update on the topics we will cover in the upcoming weeks of school.

<u>Reading/Language Arts</u>: As always, we are working diligently on reading fluency (accuracy and speed) and comprehension. Our Reading centers will focus on; subject verb agreement, action vs. linking verbs, open and closed syllables, and alphabetizing and abbreviating words. Please encourage your child to continue to read throughout the break!

<u>Math:</u> The students are doing a wonderful job with the Time Unit. We will continue with this chapter when we return from Easter break (Tuesday, April 10<sup>th)</sup>. Some of the concepts you may want to review with your child over the break would be elapsed time, calendar concepts, and practice with the a.m. and p.m. schedules. <u>Science</u>: As you may hear from your child and see from their work, we have spent a little more time on Fossils then was planned due to the extreme interest shown by the students. The Sun and I t's Family (Stars and Planets) Unit is soon to come.

## Important Dates:

-Enjoy spending time with your children on their Easter/Spring Break: No School April 5<sup>th</sup>- April 9<sup>th</sup>. -Early dismissal (11:30) next Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> and Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> due to Parent Teacher Conferences. I'm looking forward to meeting with each of you again!

-April 27<sup>th</sup> will be our next field trip to Marywood University to see "The Emperor's New Clothes". Permission slips and more details will be sent home soon.

As always, feel free to write me a note in the planner, call me at the school (945-5153), or send me an email (naylorda@ltsd.org) if you have any questions or concerns.

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