

February 23, 2007

Dear Parents,

Thank you so much to those of you who helped out at the re-scheduled Valentine's Day Party. If you check the website, you'll see a few pictures showing all of the fun we had. <http://benemark.com/lafayette>

Attached is an updated conference schedule. If you have not already signed up, please send it back with three choices of times that are still available. Let me know if for some reason you need a time other than what is on the schedule.

Next Thursday is our *Geometry Test*. I am sending home the review on Monday. It is due on Wednesday. I am giving the students two nights to work on it because it is very long. Keep in mind that the Famous African American Time Line book report is due on Tuesday. This is a great opportunity to teach your child about time management!

A quick note about reading logs: as you'll see from your child's take-home folder today, I read every reading log that is turned in and often leave comments. I take them seriously. It is very important that your child read aloud and that an adult is present to assist them when they mispronounce words. Please make sure that you are signing the reading log so that I know that your child is reading with an adult. Remember that our goal is to have fluent readers!

We will soon be starting our new reading unit. We will be reading James and the Giant Peach. I am short about 8 copies. If anyone is willing to donate a copy, I would be very appreciative.

Thank you for all of the tissue boxes and Lysol wipes. You have no idea how helpful they are and how quickly we go through them. I don't want to jinx anything, but we've been doing really well so far keeping those germs at bay.

Thank goodness, the snow has melted, and we've all had a chance to get outside. Enjoy the weekend, and see you next week!

Thank you for everything,

Blake Yedwab