



Room 103 NEWS
NEWPORT HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY
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Dear Families,

What a very exciting week we have all had!

Groundhog's Day was an exciting and informative day for the children. They all made their very own groundhogs with little burrows. We then took them outside to see if our groundhogs saw their shadows. The children reported that their groundhogs did not see a shadow and were very excited to learn that spring will be arriving sooner than expected. All the children wrote a "Groundhog's Day Story".

As part of dental health month, we welcomed my brother, Dr. Colin Del Rosario to the classroom. On Wednesday morning, the children learned about ways to take care of their teeth, how to brush them and other interesting facts about their teeth. A note from Dr. Colin is on the back of this newsletter. Please ask them about this special day!

We will be concluding our penguins unit this Friday. As a celebration, we will be having "Black and White Day" on Friday, and watching a video. If possible, please have your child dress in black and white. The children are filled with lots of new knowledge about penguins, which I'm sure they are excited to share with you! We all wrote acrostic penguin poems and all the children have their very own penguins facts books.

In 1st grade math, the children have all made beautiful quilt patterns. We will be

sending home their quilt packets home this week. They are all very proud of their work, please spend some time looking over their quilts.

The children are continuing to build additional knowledge about planting seeds and what it means to take care of plants. We are all so excited to watch our brassica and wheat plants continuing to grow.

The 100th day of school is coming soon! We will be celebrating this on Thursday, February 12. We will be having our Valentine's Day party on Friday, February 13 at 1:15. Flyers were sent home yesterday about our party. Please contact Kathy Jacobs or Kelly Jenkins at if you can volunteer to help.

The sharing letter next week is "V".

Have a great week!
Sincerely,
Ms. Del Rosario

Important Dates to Remember:

Friday, February 6: Black and White Day! Wear black and white!

Thursday, February 12: The 100th Day of School!

Friday, February 13: Valentine's Day Celebration

Monday through Friday February 16-20: Midwinter Break.