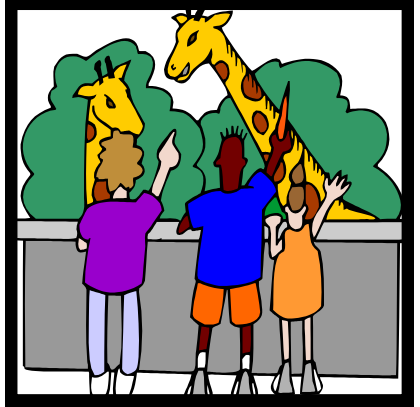


# Mrs. M<sup>ac</sup>Donald's Intermediate Classroom

***What a great week!!!***



**Issue 30**

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On Monday, I picked up the incubator and our eggs arrived on Tuesday. A schedule has been set for egg rotation— each child will have several chances to participate in this. We are hoping for a successful hatch and the possibility of 10 chicks around May 13th.

This is a great way to learn about animal life cycles (and responsibility).

We marked the eggs with x's and o's so we know how to turn them. They need to be rotated three times a day. The incubator is set at a temperature of 100\*. On the 12th day, we will candle the eggs to see the progress. Candling allows us to see through the eggshell and see if any movement or growth is taking place. It is exciting!

On Tuesday evening, we enjoyed a wonderful program at the zoo. I appreciate how many of you participated with us. It would not be possible without your assistance. I had a wonderful time and I hope all of you did too. I also hope you had a chance this weekend to catch up on your sleep. (They kept us hopping!!)

We reviewed animal adaptations on Thursday and Friday. Students worked on writings about how animals show physical adaptations and behavioral adaptations.

Homework:

**Monday:** Reading assignment and wordly wise words come home. Please copy them and review throughout the week.

**Tuesday:** Math practice

**Wednesday:** Poetry Journal final edits and additions. Be sure to have your journal reviewed.... Journals will be collected on **Friday to be graded**. Remember, there is a scoring sheet in the back that will help you.

**Thursday:** Wordly Wise-study for the spelling and vocabulary test

# Math

This week we will be working on a variety of math skills. Students will also practice math facts with a factor game.

## Reading:



We will continue reading the Wright 3 and try to solve the mystery.

Students are also working on reading Anastasia books or The Report Card by Andrew Clements. Those reading Anastasia books will have until Friday to finish and return these books to me. They need to be returned to the library. We will be discussing books in a series and students will compare and discuss the books that they read.

Social Studies: we continue to explore the history of Ohio. I am working on planning a trip to Carillon Park to learn more about inventors and to see the cash register that Charles Kettering helped update. There is an amazing amount of history right here in the Miami Valley. Mrs. Brandenburg and Mrs. Duncan have volunteered to help transport when the trip can be arranged. Thank you!



## The Legacy Project:

This week we will finalize all Legacy Project books. I will be placing an order for the books on Friday, May 2nd.

The cost of this hardback book is \$27.00

Please return the lower portion of this paper with payment by Friday, May 2nd.

Last year, several students ordered 2 copies of the books, one for the Legacy Person and one for themselves. If you would like two copies, please indicate that below. I would like to order them all together, last year I incurred a large personal cost due to additional orders and the cost of shipping and handling. I would like to avoid that this year. However, books can be ordered later if you would like, they are stored on the Shutterfly website.

*On May 16th, at 9:15-11:00*

*we will be having an intergenerational celebration in our classroom.*

*We are inviting the person that has been interviewed to school.*

*We will begin with juice and cinnamon rolls.*

*Students will then read the books they have worked on and present this to the "Legacy Project Person"*

*Students are free to spend the rest of the day with their Legacy Person.*

*(or students can remain at school until 3:00 if their legacy person must return to work)*

*(Parents are also welcome)*

On May 16th, \_\_\_\_\_  
will be at school to celebrate with my child \_\_\_\_\_.

### Choose one

He/She will \_\_\_\_\_ leave school with \_\_\_\_\_.

He/She will \_\_\_\_\_ remain at school for the rest of the day.

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ of the Legacy Project Books.

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_