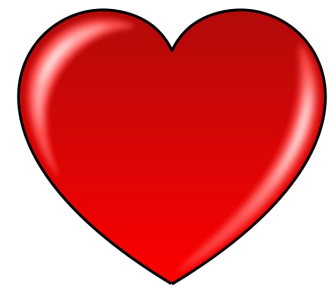




# February News

## Mrs. Palumbo



### \*\* Friendship Party \*\*

We will celebrate Valentine's Day with a Friendship party on Tuesday, February 14th. Students are invited to bring in Valentines to share with their friends. If you are sending in Valentines please make sure that your child has enough for all the students in the class. A class list is attached to assist your child with making their Valentines. We will celebrate with friendship/kindness activities and a Valentine craft.

If you have questions, comments, or concerns please feel free to email me at [palumbom@worcesterschools.net](mailto:palumbom@worcesterschools.net).

### Math

On February 6th we will celebrate the 100th Day of school. Students will participate in fun activities that involve the number 100 and celebrate being 100 days smarter!

This week we will be wrapping up our exploration of area and moving on to data and graphing. Students will explore and create different types of graphs such as picture graphs and bar graphs. Students will read graphs to make observations. They will also ask and answer questions based on the data in the graphs.

At the end of the month students will review strategies for adding and subtracting within 1,000, using regrouping and rounding strategies.

### Happy Birthday!!

February 17- Michelle



### ELA - Reading, Writing, Phonics

Throughout the month we will continue our novel study of *War With Grandpa*. While reading students are keeping a writer's notebook to keep track of story elements, make inferences, track character traits and character beliefs, and also to respond daily to show understanding. In the last quadrant of the book students will read to understand the moral or theme that can be learned from this story. This will help to develop author's purpose and how the message can transfer to real life situations.

**Writing**-Students are currently working on narrative writing. Students are using a story elements graphic organizer to plan their writing. They are also working on using descriptive details and exploring word choice to make their stories more interesting. We are also working on including dialogue and using quotation marks appropriately when writing.

**Phonics**- Students will work on using suffixes such as -er and -est to show comparison. As well as prefix "re-" to mean again and common prefixes that mean "not" to change the meaning of the word.

### Science/Social Studies

**Science**- Students will investigate and make predictions about the weather through careful observation of clouds and wind. They will also learn to differentiate between weather and climate.

**Social Studies**- Students will learn about life in the Plymouth Colony and the challenges of building a colony.

### Important Dates:

2/3- Color Day - Wear Purple

2/6- 100th Day of School!

2/14- Friendship Party

2/20-2/24- No School- Winter Vacation