

# PACE Homeschool February 2020 Newsletter

### Dates to Remember

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> Family Bowl Night @ Center Bowl 1:00 pm-4:00 pm RSVP by evite.com

Feb 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> Wrangell STEM Lego Robotics 1-3pm

Feb 28th Monthly Communication Due

Mar 6th MLC Closed

#### Want faster reimbursements?

Don't wait until the end of the year to turn in your purchase requests (PR) and receipts. Turn them in as you get them and you won't run the risk of losing a receipt or forgetting to submit the request. We have one person who processes reimbursements for the entire district and the end of the year gets pretty busy, so if you wait until then to submit PR's and receipts it can take longer to receive your payment. Just a friendly reminder.



## Teacher Tip of the Month by: Kimberly McMillan, ALC Teacher



February is full of things to celebrate and appreciate. For some it's the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of school, Black History Month, Valentine's Day, Groundhog Day, or President's Day. This can seem overwhelming to try to add all of these special events into your already full schooling curriculum. Why not try to integrate some of these special events into what your student is learning.

#### 100th Day of School:

Do an activity that includes 100 this month. For example in P.E. you can do a 100 Workout: 20 pushups, 20 sit-ups, 20 jumping jacks, 20 lunges, and 20 leg lifts. (you could break it up throughout the day, change some of the body movements to fit the student's age). In Math you could review 100 math problems – (depending on math level) – addition, subtraction, write numbers to 100, etc.

<u>Black History Month</u>: Read an article or a book about an African American who's famous for an invention — George Washington Carver — products made from peanuts, Garret A. Morgan — Patented the traffic signal, Lonnie Johnson — invented the "Super Soaker", etc. Depending on your students' age, you can have them do a writing sample about the African American that they studied and use it for a grammar/writing exercise.

<u>Valentine's Day</u>: Write down something or someone you love every day of February to remind you to be thankful for all you have in your life. Place your list on cutout hearts or strips and make a chain or even just on a piece of paper that you can put on a wall you see often. This can be a great way to work on penmanship with small sentences or few words.

Groundhog Day: Study Shadows. Use a flashlight, paper and pencil to draw shadows made by different objects based on where the flashlight is located. This can be a science experiment and your student can write down their hypothesis and what they find to be true based on their thoughts and their experiment results.

<u>President's Day</u>: Find photos of presidents and play a Who's Who game. Show all of the photos at the beginning of the game and discuss their name and some features and traits about them. Then put them all face down, draw and try to name to president that was drawn. Keep the card of you get it right and continue play until all presidents have been identified. You may find this game gets played on other days as a history review. If your student is young, just pick some of the more known presidents to begin your game.

