



Friday Letter

January 18, 2008

Dear Members of the ACCS Community,

We finished the ELA tests this week and it looks like our students did very well! We won't have official results until months from now, but it looks as though each class took it seriously and did their very best. I have promised to take any class that passes the test to dinner and a movie. Tonight, I will be taking Mr. Mark and his fifth grade class to dinner and a movie because **87% of the class passed the NYS Social Studies Test** given in November. The class decided on *Alvin and the Chipmunks*, followed by dinner at a nearby all-you-can-eat buffet restaurant. The children are all quite excited to celebrate their achievement.

On Wednesday we had very special visitors from the State Education Department who spent the day visiting classrooms and interviewing staff. They saw wonderful things happening in the classrooms and I'm sure they enjoyed their visit with us. They commented on the high quality student work displayed on the hall bulletin boards, such as this quilt project on famous African Americans by Ms. Flores' first graders.

**Next Friday is the last day for this marking period and teachers will be preparing report cards for parent conferences. Please plan ahead to be with us for parent conferences on February 5<sup>th</sup>.**



*Mary Theresa*, Mary Theresa Streck, Principal





## Ms. Nguyen's 2nd Graders Keep on Learning

### ELA- Johnny, Frank, William, and Davine:

We are learning how to write poems. We learned about diamante poems and haikus. Diamante poems talk about two different subjects. It tells how it is different on the top and bottom. The middle says how they are the same. When we write a diamante poem, we ended up with a diamond at the end. We learned how to write letters and all five parts. They are the date, greeting, body, closing, and signature. We wrote a letter to Governor Spitzer and to our reading buddies. Letters are cool and fun.

### Science- Andre, Doranni,



### Bridgett, and Kayla

We have learned about flowers, earthquakes, volcanoes, rock and minerals. We learned how volcanoes explode and shoot lava out of it. When the lava comes out, it goes floating over the surface.

We know that flowers have roots, stems, and leaves. We learned what seeds need to grow. They need water, air, and the sun to grow. Did you know plants make their own food? If living things don't get what they need, they will die.

### Social Studies- Marialeni, Joyal, Carl, and Alberto

In Social Studies we learned about maps. We learned the directions of a map are north, east, south, and west. We also learned about map keys and how to use them to tell what something is on a map.

We also learned about different kinds of landforms. There are hills, mountains, plateaus, valleys, rivers, oceans, and lakes. We



money, we add the biggest coins first.

also learned that mountains can be made from volcanoes and earthquakes.

We learned about urban places. Cities are urban places. There are a lot of people, buildings, cars, and roads in the city.

### Math- KiAndra, Amber, Omar, Amya

Math is fun to do. Sometimes it is easy, and sometimes it is not. We learned how to add two digit numbers. We also learned how to add doubles facts like  $8 + 8 = 16$ . We also learned fact families like 1, 3, and 4.  $1+3=4$ ,  $3+1=4$ ,  $4-3=1$ , and  $4-1=3$ . Sometimes we add three numbers. We are learning how to subtract.

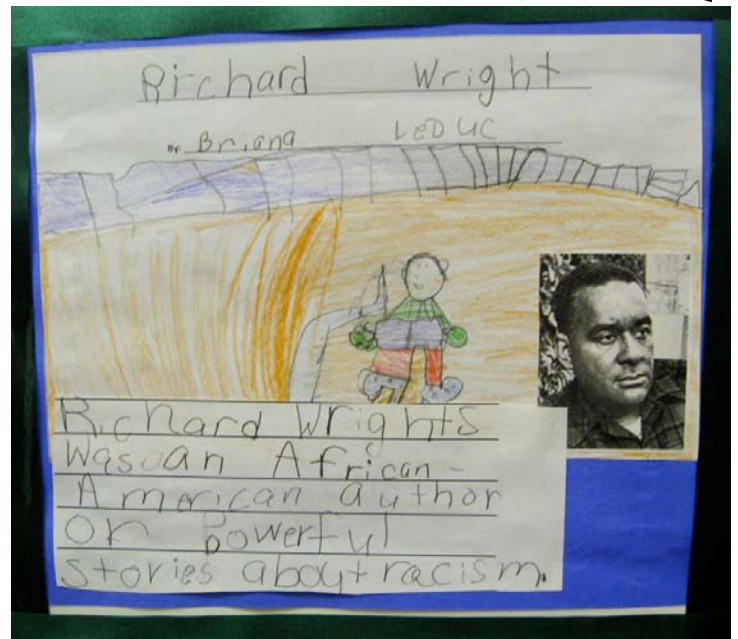
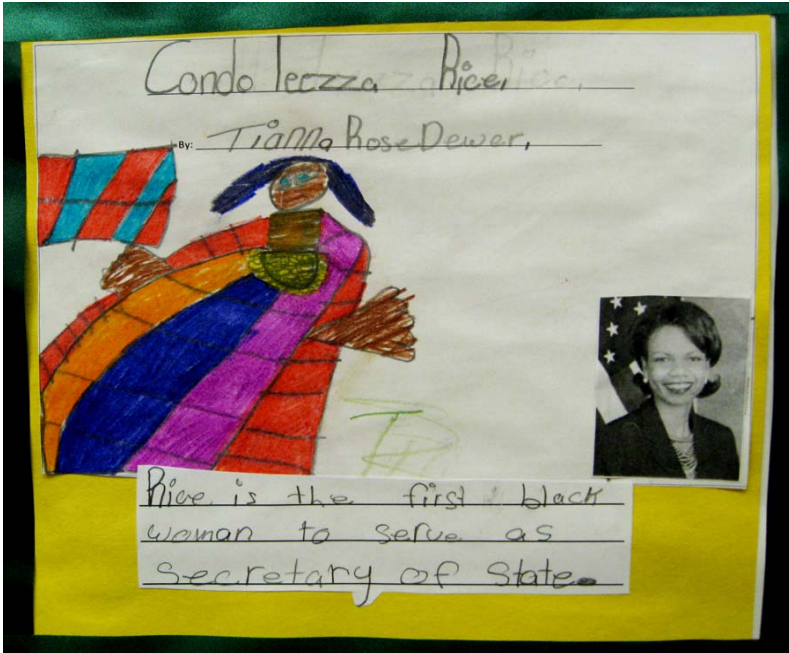
In math, we learned how to add money. Before we started, we learned how to count by 5, 10, 25, and 50. When we add

## Principal's Principles ...



Some of your children are coming to school very tired and report that they are up late watching TV. Please help your child feel and do better in school by **limiting the TV they watch and insisting that they are in bed by 9pm on school nights.** Your child is growing so much at this age, s/he needs 9-10 hours of sleep each night.

**IPODs, cell phones or other electronic toys and devices are NOT allowed in school.** They **MUST** stay in your child's backpack or we will take it until a parent can pick it up.



## FRIDAY LETTER READERS RAFFLE

Parents (Enter once each week for each ACCS child you have),

1/18/08


Complete & tear off this raffle ticket and have your child turn it in at school and you will be entered into a raffle for a **\$50 Price Chopper gift certificate.** Drawing at next family event. **MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.**

Name of your ACCS Student: \_\_\_\_\_


Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_



# January 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
13	14	15	16	17	18 5th Graders Celebrate Social Studies test re- sults with Dinner & Movie	19
		<b>NYS ELA EXAM Grade 6</b>				
20	21 Martin Luther King Day NO SCHOOL	22	23	24	25 Kindergarten Field Trip to Petco 	26
27	28	29	30	31 1:30 School Assembly	1	2

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3	4	5 7:45 Awards Breakfast <b>HALF DAY</b> Parent Con- ferences- Report Cards	6  PATT Meet- ing	7	8	9
10	11	12 3:30 Board of Trustees	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>WINTER BREAK - NO SCHOOL</b>						

## LUNCH MENU for week of Jan 21- 25

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	Ham & Cheese Chips Soup Fruit Milk	Roast Turkey & Gravy French Fries Fruit Milk	Tacos Rice Fruit Milk	Chicken Burritos Refried Beans Fruit Milk

Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches are always available as an alternative.