



# Mrs. Fredin's Newsletter

February 11, 2016

**Reading:** The students continued to learn about the author's purpose. We will continue to apply this concept to our final story of Unit 3. We will begin A Place Called Freedom next week, which in turn will be our last story of Unit 3. The students will then be tested on all of the vocabulary words from Unit 3 as well as the comprehension portion of the test. After the Unit 3 test, we will begin a novel study that I am very excited about!! We will continue to write Haiku poems about a variety of nature related topics. We would like to enter their Haiku poems in the Young American Poetry Digest for 2016. I was hoping to submit the Haiku poems by the end of next week. You can check out the contest at [www.youngpoets.org](http://www.youngpoets.org). If you would like for your child NOT to participate in the contest, please email me by February 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Math:** The students are continuing to work on division. Please make sure that your child is fluent in their basic multiplication facts. In both classes, we will spend much of our math lessons on problem solving. You should see your child's problem solving test in their Friday Folder for this week, please let me know if you have any questions.

**Social Studies:** While working in Social Studies, the students are learning about the Presidential candidates.

**Science:** I can't wait to introduce the concept of rocks and minerals to my class!!

Student of the Month – February

**Lindsey Kajmowicz**

## Spelling Words A Place Called Freedom

Freed	Hugged	Emptied	Figured
Budding	Carried	Believed	Dimmed
Studied	Providing	Shedding	Sledding
Magnified	Wedged	Rotting	Varied
Arrived	Plugging	Rising	Celebrated

## Challenge Words

Fretted	Gourd
Plantation	Settlement
Sunrise	

## Things to Remember

- You can order any time from Scholastic online using code GRXX3. The coupon I gave the students expires on February 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Please check TeacherEase weekly.
- Read to Succeed for Great America is due on February 27<sup>th</sup>!
- Let me know if you have any questions regarding the extra credit with the canned foods. If you already submitted your cans, please let me know where your child's extra credit needs to be applied.
- Parent Teacher conferences are tonight and tomorrow, if you signed up.
- The last day for the Book Fair is tomorrow! Thank you to all of the parent volunteers!
- Please email me at [l.fredin@taftsd90.org](mailto:l.fredin@taftsd90.org) at any time! – Mrs. Fredin