



A Note From 1-B



March 27, 2009

Thank you for joining in on math games this morning. The children were very excited to play Roll and Record Subtraction, Five-In-A-Row Subtraction and Patterns with Body Movements with you. For those parents who were not able to attend, your child is bringing home a game to play with you this weekend!

As you may have heard, as part of her Lesley student-teaching experience, Mrs. Cunningham's take-over week begins on Monday. Although she has independently taught and we have co-taught a number of lessons to date, next week she will be solely responsible for the planning and instruction. I am happy to announce that this will be the first of many weeks where Andrea will take the lead. As you have read in Sheryl's letter home today, upon returning from April vacation, Andrea will be taking over as the permanent substitute for my maternity leave. Having worked with Andrea over the past two months, I am confident that she is a good fit for 1-B and is ready for the job! She will be attending parent-teacher conferences over the next two weeks and working closely with me to map out the remainder of the school year. Should you have any questions regarding this transition, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Announcements

- Tuesday, April 7: Noon dismissal, Parent Teacher Conferences.
- Friday, April 10: No School, Good Friday
- **Save the Date!** Authors will have an opportunity to share a favorite writing piece at our **Authors' Celebration** on Thursday, April 16 at 8:45. We hope you all are able to attend!
- Friday, April 17 will be my last day prior to my maternity leave.
- Monday, April 27 Andrea Cunningham will take-over as classroom teacher for my maternity leave.
- Monday, April 20 – Friday, April 24: No School, April vacation
- Monday, May 25: No School, Memorial Day

Conversation Starters

- ❖ Let's practice tying your shoes!
- ❖ Let's clap and draw a repeating pattern!
- ❖ Did you have fun at the sing-along today?
- ❖ What does plural mean?
- ❖ When do you add an -es to a word to make it plural?
- ❖ What strengths of yours do you think Mrs. Byrnes will share at our conference? Goals?
- ❖ What did you do with your 5K buddy outside?

Have a great weekend,
Sarah Byrnes