

# Dolphin Pod Post

## Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School

### Upcoming Dates:

5/3 PTSA Meeting Virtual 7 p.m.  
5/8 Interims distributed  
5/9 Field Day (Gr 1-5)  
5/11 ABC Countdown to Summer Begins  
5/16 Field Day Rain Date (Gr 1-5)  
5/23./ 24 IMU Concert (all welcome) 7 p.m.  
5/29 No School

### Updates/Reminders

-Donations of snacks, tissues, and black dry-erase markers to support the needs of our classes are always very appreciated!

-To celebrate the last 26 days of school, the first grade classes will be participating in an **ABC Countdown to Summer!** Each day, there will be a theme or activity related to the corresponding letter. The countdown will begin on Thursday, May 11. The calendar

can be found on page 3 of this newsletter, and a hard copy will be sent home with your child as well. We are so excited for all of the fun to come!

### English Language Arts

In reading this month...

We will wrap up Unit 7. We'll explore how the past affects the present and future by reading and comparing selections about historical events and people. We'll also read a variety of genres including informational texts, realistic fiction, and poetry.

Later in the month, we will begin working on Unit 8. In this unit, we will read and compare selections featuring the sky and objects we observe there, such as the sun, the moon, stars, and clouds. The unit encompasses a wide range of genres, including informational texts, realistic fiction, pourquoi tales, and poetry.

[Click here for the Unit 7 Family Letter](#)

[Click here for the Unit 8 Family Letter](#)

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### Math

In math this month...

We will work on Module 6. Students will work on comparative word problem types. While students have already solved some comparative problem types, this is their first opportunity to name these types of problems and learn to represent comparisons using tape diagrams with two tapes. Students will also extend their understanding of tens and ones of numbers up to 100. For example, they will mentally find 10 more, 10 less, 1 more, and 1 less and compare numbers using the symbols  $>$ ,  $=$ , and  $<$ .

[Click here for Parent Tips for Module 6](#)

### Science and Social Studies

In science this marking period...














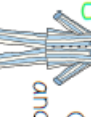













Students will observe plant structures, and relate their features to their function. Students will also connect changes in daylength to plant structures. Additionally, students will observe the features of bean seeds, and construct an explanation of their function by planting seeds and observing their growth.

In social studies this marking period...

Students will engage in lessons about the economy. Specifically, we will discuss different types of resources, goods and services, and markets that can be found within both a global and local economy. Students will also learn about how transportation plays a role in the economy, as well as the different forms of transportation in which goods are moved from one place to another.

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<p>Let's celebrate the last 26 days of school by participating in these fun activities!</p> 				<p><b>A B C</b></p>	<p><b>C O U N T</b></p>	<p><b>T D O W N</b></p>	<p><b>T O S U M M E R</b></p>																
<p><b>D</b> Donut Day We will enjoy a sweet treat! Tuesday, May 16</p> 	<p><b>E</b> Extra Recess We will go outside twice today! Wednesday, May 17</p> 	<p><b>F</b> Favorite Character Day Dress up like a character! Thursday, May 18</p> 	<p><b>G</b> Glasses Day Wear your favorite glasses! Friday, May 19</p> 	<p><b>H</b> Hat Day Put on your favorite hat! Monday, May 22</p> 	<p><b>I</b> Ice Pop Day Teacher will provide them during school! Tuesday, May 23</p> 	<p><b>J</b> Jersey Day Wear a sports jersey, shirt, or hat! Wednesday, May 24</p> 	<p><b>K</b> Kite Day Let's make kites! Thursday, May 25</p> 	<p><b>L</b> Lollipop Day Teacher will provide them during school! Friday, May 26</p> 	<p><b>M</b> Movie Day Let's watch a movie today! Tuesday, May 30</p> 	<p><b>N</b> New Name Day Change your name for the day! Wednesday, May 31</p> 	<p><b>O</b> Outside Day We will go outside for part of class! Thursday, June 1</p> 	<p><b>P</b> Pajama Day Get out of bed and don't change your clothes! Friday, June 2</p> 	<p><b>Q</b> Question Day Let's think of questions to ask the grade above us! Monday, June 5</p> 	<p><b>R</b> Recipe Day We will make a special treat! Tuesday, June 6</p> 	<p><b>S</b> Show &amp; Tell Day Bring something to show! Wednesday, June 7</p> 	<p><b>T</b> Talent Day Get ready to share a talent with the class! Thursday, June 8</p> 	<p><b>U</b> USA Day Wear red, white, and blue! Friday, June 9</p> 	<p><b>V</b> Very Special Awards Day Which one will you get? Monday, June 12</p> 	<p><b>W</b> Wacky Day Wear something silly and mismatching! Tuesday, June 13</p> 	<p><b>X</b> X-tra Recess We will go outside twice today! Wednesday, June 14</p> 	<p><b>Y</b> Yellow Day Wear as much yellow as you can! Thursday, June 15</p> 	<p><b>Z</b> Zoo Day Dress like your favorite zoo animal! Friday, June 16</p> 	  

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