**SHARING**

Sharing this week will focus on foreign currency. Children can bring money from another country.

Sharing next week will be related to grandparents.

**EARLY RELEASE**

 All students will be excused from school at 1:40 on this Wednesday, April 3rd. Staff will use the final 90 minutes of the school day to collaborate.

**SWIMMING**

 Due to the early release, we won’t be swimming this week.

**MATH HOMEWORK**

 Due to the PEAKS testing, we’ll skip the math homework again this week. Please encourage your children to get physical activity for their “homework”!

**SPELLING**

 Spelling words are attached for students in grades one through five. The homework is explained below.

**Monday**: Cut, sort, explain

**Tuesday**: Sort and write

**Wednesday**: Adult reads, child writes in correct category, fix as needed

**Thursday**: Sort, glue, add two

 We’ll test on the words on Friday.

**PEAKS TESTING**

 Students did a great job with last week’s testing. The students involved in taking the test seemed to be working hard and doing their best. The students working in the classroom were able to work quietly so test-takers were able to concentrate.

 This week third through fifth graders will be taking the math portions of the PEAKS test on Tuesday and Wednesday morning.

**SCIENCE**

 In science the younger students will be learning about pond and ocean habitats. Third graders will continue to work on learning about decomposers. Both groups will begin to explore food chains and food webs.

 Fourth and fifth graders will also be learning about decomposers.

**SOCIAL STUDIES**

 Younger students will be learning what an environment is and also about transportation.

 Third graders will begin studying World War II. This week they’ll learn about the causes of the war.

 Fourth and fifth graders will continue to focus on civil rights.