

# Cosnowski's Connection

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## Curriculum Information

**Math:** Starting Unit 4 – Quick Check Quiz #1 after we return from vacation – Date Change

**Reading:** Finishing Unit 2 week 4,

**Grammar/LA:** Possessive nouns and Genius Hour

**Spelling:** No Spelling next week. New Units will come home on January 9th

**S.S.:** Chapter 7–Study Guide due Monday, December 16, Test on Thursday

**Science:** Finish Paper Mache model of the solar system

### Star of the week:

Materials due Dec. 16: Gio

Materials due Jan 6: Gabby

**Read Aloud Book:** Finishing *Number the Stars* By Louis Lowry – Historical Fiction set in Denmark during WWII - 1943

### Important Dates

Dec. 16 Chapter 7 S.S. Study Guide is Due

Dec. 17 5<sup>th</sup> grade concert – Arrive by 6:15 p.m. wearing red, white, or green – Kids line-up in the lobby, don't go to the classroom. Concert at 6:30

Dec. 19 S.S. Test on Chapter 7 –**Set Jan.2013**

Dec. 19 Holiday Party 1:45-3:15

Dec. 20 *Apollo 13* Movie in p.m. PJ Day

Dec. 20 Genius Hour Presentations 1<sup>st</sup> day

Jan. 6 School Resumes

**Jan. 6 Moby Max Minutes Due – Date Change**

**Jan 6 December Book Due – Date Change**

**Jan. 9 Quick Check Quiz #1 – Date Change**

### MobyMax

The children should be continuing to work at home on completing 45 minutes for the 3 subject areas they were assigned in MobyMax for the month of December. Some students are making great progress while others haven't even started. I have notified each child about their progress as well as their scores. MobyMax is now due on January 6<sup>th</sup> since the return date after vacation was changed. Please make sure to look at your child's completed minutes and their scores. There is a better explanation at the top of the page. To check their minutes, however, MobyMax changed a bit. Click on the Balloons at the top of the page and then Time Summary to calculate how many minutes they completed in December.

## Genius Hour

Please use the link from the e-mail to sign up for a day for your child to present their Genius Hour Project. 1<sup>st</sup> day to present is Wed., December 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Holiday Party

The party will be from 1:45-3:15 p.m. on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. There is a SlyReply link in the e-mail to donate items for the party. Mrs. Hotton planned a great party, and I'm sure the children will have a lot of fun! We will be doing a gift activity, and would like to do what we did last year. Each parent will buy their own child a gift in the board game/puzzle/card game theme. You will wrap the game and send it in with a card to your own child telling them they may bring the game home to play as a family or that it can be left at school as a game for them to play with during indoor recess this winter. We'll open your gift during the party. You can spend as much or as little as you want on the game. If you leave the game at school, it will be kept separate from my games and you are welcome to have it back at the end of the year. This gives them a larger variety of games to play with during those cold winter recesses when they can't go outside.

### Apollo 13

We will be watching the movie *Apollo 13*, starring Tom Hanks, on Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. It's a great movie and works in beautifully with our science unit. To prepare for the movie, I'll read a book about the experience, so the children are better able to understand the events during the movie. We will also celebrate PJ Day, a CozLand holiday, with the movie. Because we filled up our class flag, the children have also decided to make it blanket and pillow day so they can spread out to watch the movie. They are welcome to bring in a special drink and snack to enjoy during the movie. Please make sure the drink (often pop) has a lid, no cans that can spill).