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Edison Enrichment Classes: Enrollment goes “live” on Mon., Jan. 6 at 8 a.m. Here is the link to the course descriptions:

<https://edisonextraenrichment.weebly.com/spring-2020-classes.html>

Ms.Mathews’s Classroom News

**Upcoming Events**:

Planetarium Field Trip: On Thursday, January 23, Edison’s third graders will attend a program at the planetarium and explore the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. The volunteer slots for this field trip were very limited and have been filled. The fee was covered by the $10 class fee collected at the beginning of the school year. Students will need to bring a sack lunch in a disposable bag.

Third Grade Musical Performance:

On Friday, February 21, from 11:00 – 11:40 a.m., Edison’s third graders will perform their musical show about the solar system in the auditorium. Please join us! This show will take place after the end of our science unit on the solar system, but students will still be excited to share all their learning about space through songs and artwork!

Homework:

A very important part of homework for all third graders is memorizing multiplication facts up to 12 x 12. This will make math so much easier in upper grades. Memorizing these facts is the request of Edison 4th and 5th grade math teachers. “Memorized” means a very fast answer, with no counting up or use of a times table. Please help your student memorize these facts! This is the most important homework until all the facts are memorized! Thank you for your support!

Parent-Teacher Home Visits:

Home visits are an optional opportunity for your family to connect with DPS educators and staff. If you are interested in scheduling a home visit, please send Ms. Mathews a Class Dojo message or an e-mail. DPS requires that educators visit in pairs, so please indicate which other

staff member (teacher, para, administrator) you would

like to join me. The home visit is a brief, structured

conversation about your student’s hopes and dreams,

and your hopes and dreams for your student. My

schedule from January – May allows time for home visits

on Mondays or Tuesdays (unless you want one later in the evening, after after school activities end – sometimes this is more difficult for my partner teachers to schedule).

**Always accurate specials schedule**: Our CORRECT specials for each day, along with **library** dates and **reading buddy dates**, is listed on the class website:

<https://msmathewsclass.weebly.com/specials-schedule.html>

# Classroom News:

Happy new year! I hope everyone had great holidays!

As students return from winter break on Tuesday, January 7, 2019:

In reading core, students just finished up research projects about frogs’ unique adaptations. We will begin a study of wolves in literature and read non-fiction texts about wolves. At the end of this unit, students will write an opinion essay explaining their evidence that wolves are – or aren’t – “bad guys” based on their reading.

In science, students will continue studying objects in space.

In writing, students will be finishing up personal narratives and then they will re-visit creative stories and take notes on non-fiction articles.

Third grade math students will begin working with area of rectangles soon, connecting multiplication and geometry.

Social Studies: After we finish our current science unit about space, students will begin studying regions of the United States, learning about the geography and history of our country.

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