

# Cactus Classroom News

April 7, 2025

Hello Cactus Families!

I hope everyone had a great weekend! This week we are reviewing for the ELA benchmark tests and we as the Math test. In math we are specifically focusing on multiplication and division.

April 8<sup>th</sup> – Reading Part One

April 10<sup>th</sup> – Reading Part Two

April 15<sup>th</sup> – Math Part One

April 17<sup>th</sup> – Math Part Two

We will be starting our project this week, but it will last the next several weeks. We are going to be using area and perimeter to compare ourselves to the T-Rex Sue. Our driving question will be: **How can we use math to create a proportionally accurate miniature model of a dinosaur for a school museum exhibit?** We will be digging for small bones and building a small puzzle dinosaur. At the end of the project, I am hoping to have the students create a miniature model of Sue with their findings.

I will be picking up the Ben's Bells to-go kit Monday so we can start painting kindness coins at school. We will have about 100 coins so that should keep us busy. The students will be able to take two coins home at the very end. Autumn from Ben's Bells will be coming to the classroom to do a presentation about intentional kindness and the Ben's Bells project.

## Important Dates:

April 8<sup>th</sup> – PTA General Meeting at 5:30pm

April 18<sup>th</sup> – Spring Holiday – No School