

**Mossy Oaks
Port Royal
Beaufort Elementary
Coosa Elementary**

Technology News

January 2013

WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER IDEAS

- January 18th - No School (Staff Development Day).
- January 21st - No School (MLK Day)
- January 25th - 2nd quarter report cards go home
- Highlight a unit students are studying in class.
- Take a picture of your class doing something academic and explain what students are working on.

K-2 Website

Practice setting the clock on this fun BBC game (only o'clocks, no half past). The alarm clock rings when the correct time is reached.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/wales/snapdragon/yesflash/time-1.htm>

Tech Ideas 3 - 5

Thank you for all the support leading up to the 12 Tech Ideas before Christmas Break. I got a lot of feedback and I was happy to get invited to try some of the ideas out with various classrooms.



This month take we have a short week in January (week of the 14th). Have students try their hand at a Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Web Quest that week. Great center or “if

finished early” activity (see email attachment).

Have students create a Winter Wordle and let them use their winter words to develop a fake weather report or “tall tail” news article. Here is a great place to find “winter words.”

<http://www.words-to-use.com/words/winter/>



Join with classrooms around the world as you track the weather in your city. Project dates January, February, March 2013. Registration opens January 7th, 2013. Great for 2nd and 4th grade as part of your weather units.

[CLICK FOR DETAILS](#)

Create a MLK Jr. vocabulary list and post on SpellingCity.com. To find a great list of MLK inspired words check out this site.

<http://www.myvocabulary.com/word-list/martin-luther-king-jr-vocabulary/>

K-2 Ideas

Students and teachers are off on Monday January 21st for Martin Luther King Day.

Highlight the holiday by showing a BrainPop Junior video about Martin Luther King and the early Civil Rights Movement. Stream-

line also has a short video as well under Holiday Facts and Fun: Martin Luther King Day.

Looking to purchase some inexpensive multicultural crayons? Try Oriental Trading Company. They have boxes of 8 crayons for \$1.



CONTACT INFORMATION

Monday - Mossy Oaks Elementary
 Tuesday - Port Royal Elementary
 Wednesday - Beaufort Elementary
 Thursday - Coosa Elementary

Friday - Rotating Schedule

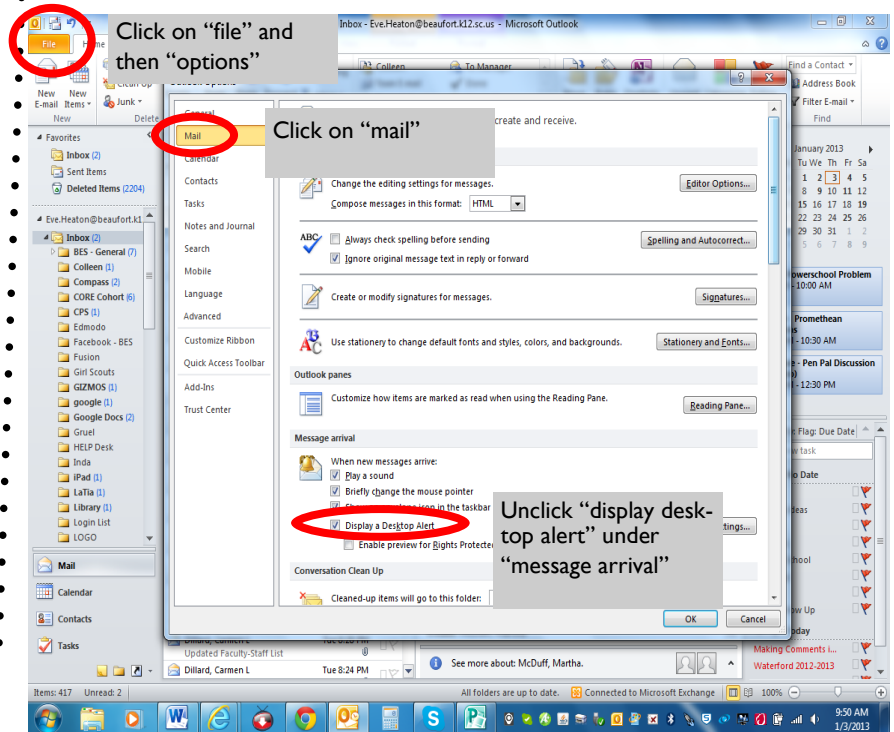
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Turning Off Email Alerts

- From time to time I get asked how to turn off the email alerts
- that popup on the screen during a lesson. Follow the directions
- below to rid yourself of those pesky popups.



Did You Know?

Did you know that children can write to any of their favorite Disney Characters AND receive a response back?

This would be a fun way to introduce or reinforce letter writing skills in the classroom.

To add a bit of tech into the lesson you can have early finishers use the online letter generator at www.readwritethink.org to publish their final piece (just make sure the computer is hooked to a printer first!).

The Disney Address to send students letters to is:

Disneyland Resort
 Guest Communications
 Attn: Character Fan Mail
 P.O. Box 3232
 Anaheim, CA 92803-3232

List of Possible Disney Characters

Aladdin
 Ariel
 Capt. Hook
 Buzz Lightyear
 Darth Vader
 Donald Duck
 Mr. Incredible
 Robin Hood
 Snow White
 Cinderella
 Mickey Mouse
 Tarzan
 Tinkerbell



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