Dear Parents and Guardians,

In the next coming weeks our class will begin uncovering the American Revolution! We say “uncovering” because this is American History that we will be examining and discussing through several pieces of writing and looking at historical documents. In class I will show the students how to navigate on our class Wiki website. They are encouraged to visit our class Wiki and contribute any ideas to our page. The students will have homework on our Wiki, this has been designed to have videos, links to other informational websites and to generate participation and discussion from every student.

We will be focusing our unit on these essential questions: How can a revolution change the world? /How can speaking your mind start a revolution? We will be thinking about these questions as we create our unit projects. This project is meant to give students a voice and let their ideas be heard. Like Paul Revere had a message to deliver, so does our class. The students will be asked: What message do you want to share with the world? They will be required to do some research on their topic and present orally to the class on their findings. The topic may be something they are passionate or curious about. They are to answer a few questions in their presentation and use technology or any creative medium to spread their message on how to better the world. They are encouraged to be as imaginative as possible, using a camera to make a commercial, mini movie, create a poster/collage etc. They may choose to work alone or with a partner. The rubric and the details of the project are on our class Wiki.

As an ongoing venture, we will take a look at current events and revolutions in the twenty-first century through our Time for Kids weekly magazine.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

Ms. Andrade