



# BRANTLEY CLASSROOM NEWS

West Lafayette Elementary School

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

01/14/22 - Newsletter

**Reading:**

Stories:

Let's Build a Park!

- \* Connect & Teach: Author's Purpose

Farmer Will Allen and the Growing table

- \* Connect & Teach: Make & Confirm Predictions
- \* Connect & Teach: Author's Purpose
- \* Connect & Teach: Text Structure
- \* Connect & Teach: Point of View

Foundational Skills:

- \* Decoding: Compound Words & Abbreviations
- \* Spelling: Compound Words and Abbreviations
- \* Fluency: Phrasing

**Math: Chp. 6 Multip. And Div.**

- Mon. - Chp 6 - work and practice
- Tues. - Chp 6 - work and practice
- Wed. - Chp 6 - work and practice
- Thur. - Chp 6 - work and practice
- Fri. - Chp 6 - work and practice



**Science / Social Studies:**

- Maps Skills, Scholastic News
- Weather Journal

**Enrichment/Project Work:**

- Programming: MICROBITS...hoping to start cards soon!!
- No Sew Hats
- New MinecraftEDU Project
- New TinkerCAD project

**Upcoming Events:**

**JANUARY 2022**

- Th 6 School Resumes  
Second Semester Begins for All Students
- M 17 MLK Day – No School

**FEBRUARY 2022**

- F 11 Professional Staff Day (staff only)  
(no school for students)
- M 21 No School – Snow Makeup Day #1

Hello Parents,

Full and awesome week done!! We are so excited at the great work, progress in writing and more that has been completed this week. The song study of Dolly Parton's "Coat of Many Colors" was great!! There are so many elements, mechanics, and just the story and meaning that were great!! The students wrapped up with a story retelling of the song-story. So many took away such meaning and depth...it was touching.

Mr. Richardson and I are very excited to continue with a new song next week. We stay within the story-song world of Dolly Parton...her memories and the descriptions and feelings she ties to songs make the study and listening so much fun!! It almost doesn't feel like an analysis as we look at the syllabication, identify the metaphors or have fun picking out the onomatopoeia words.

MinecraftEDU scavenger hunts continue. The students are cruising the Roman campus and many are already deep in 1776 Boston Harbor. This will be fun as they continue to utilize coordinates to determine location and altitude/height. Next week we bring back geography and start tying more weather into a daily recording. This will begin a visual record of the temperature bands from now until spring break.

Several ideas for great songs that tell good and positive stories have come from a few parents. KEEP THOSE IDEAS COMING!!! One student shared a favorite in her house, The Carpenters: "Yesterday Once More". I must say that you parents are sharing great music with your children! This was already on the list and has been carefully checked...it'll likely be part of the song study next week!

Have a great three day weekend!! We will look forward to seeing everyone back Tuesday for a four day week!!

**BOOK PROJECTS: 5 projects due 2nd grading period. 5 due by March 11. <https://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.html>**

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**Vocabulary: Module 07 Week 01**

**BIG IDEA WORDS**

outreach  
fellowship  
communal  
resident

**HIGH-FREQUENCY WORDS**

distance  
reason  
interest

**INSTRUCTIONAL VOCABULARY**

**CRITICAL VOCABULARY WORDS**

scarce  
pollution  
factories  
vats  
crowded  
greenhouses  
vertical

audience  
author's purpose  
reason  
confirm  
prediction  
conflict  
problem  
resolution  
text structure  
narrator  
point of view  
analogy  
suffix