



# BRANTLEY CLASSROOM NEWS

West Lafayette Elementary School

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## Third Grade News / Curriculum

## 01/20/23 - Newsletter

### Stories: The Nose Awards

- \* Ask & Answer Questions
- \* Central Idea

### Octopus Escapes Again

- \* Ask & Answer Questions
- \* Figurative Language
- \* Text & Graphic Features

### Foundational Skills:

- \* Decoding: Words with er, ir, ur, or
- \* Spelling: Vowel + /r/

### Vocabulary:

- \* Reference Sources: Thesaurus
- \* Prefix un-
- \* Spiral Review: Greek prefixes uni-, bi-, tri-

### Writing:

- \* Informational Writing: Expository Essay

### Math: Topic 6: Wrapping up and Quizzes

### Math: Topic 6: Connect Area to Multiplication

- Cover Regions
- Are: Nonstandard Units
- Area of Squares and Rectangles
- Area and the Distributive Property
- Area of Irregular Shapes
- Problem Solving: Look For and Use Structure



### Science / Social Studies:

- Traits & Inheritance

### Enrichment/Project Work:

- TinkerCAD: Rockets (final prints), Hotbox Toppers
- Hands on building projects

### Upcoming Events:

#### JANUARY 2023

- Th 5 School Resumes  
2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Begins for All Students
- M 16 MLK Day – No School

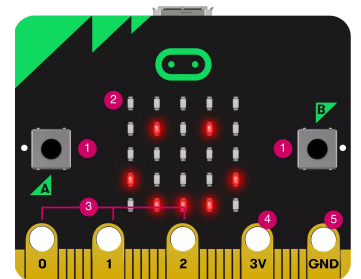
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Hello Parents!!

Wow...four days and we got a lot of great work done!! This week really was great!!

Next week we have a full week and this should be good for many reasons. Ms. Kolbe and I are working daily planning and getting things set and ready. Already we are looking forward to some small groups, new reading materials and more!!

We started experimenting with the Microbit board computers today. Several students did well with the tutorials and even starting creating some of their own program modifications. The Microbits are such a fun starting place for real coding/programming. Students get near-immediate results and its' versatile with connections, breakout board possibilities and attachments. I already have the Cutebot car attachment that I hope we will use in the next couple weeks.



This is the beginning of some great coding experiences!!

I hope that everyone will get some good rest and will return Monday ready for good work, great lessons and some new projects added to the list!!

Have a great Weekend!!

**BOOK PROJECTS:** 5 due and of 2nd grading period. 5 due by Dec. 21st, 2022. <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.html>

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## Building Spelling Skills:

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WEEK 13

## Spelling List

This Week's Focus:

- Spell words with the endings **-ing** and **-ed**

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|--------------|---------------|
| 1. lived     | 10. changing  |
| 2. living    | 11. appeared  |
| 3. rattled   | 12. appearing |
| 4. rattling  | 13. raced     |
| 5. studied   | 14. racing    |
| 6. studying  | 15. hoped     |
| 7. traveled  | 16. hoping    |
| 8. traveling | 17. wrapped   |
| 9. changed   | 18. wrapping  |

## Worldly Wise: Lesson 3

(NOT Spelling words...vocabulary practice ONLY!!)

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|---------------|----------------|
| 1. coast      | 6. auction     |
| 2. residents  | 7. intelligent |
| 3. starve     | 8. frail       |
| 4. volunteers | 9. current     |
| 5. novel      | 10. ambition   |