



BRANTLEY CLASSROOM NEWS

West Lafayette Elementary School

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

02/03/23 - Newsletter

Stories:

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T.J. the Siberian Tiger

- Monitor and Clarify
- Text Structure
- Text & Graphic Features
- Central Idea

Writing:

- Expository Essay

Foundational Skills:

- Decoding: Words with air, are, ear
- Vowel + /r/ Sounds in air and fear
- Accuracy and Self-Correction

Vocabulary:

- Prefix un-
- Suffix -ly
- Prefix un-

Math: Topic 6: Connect Area to Multiplication

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



Science / Social Studies:

- Social Studies Chapter 2: The Community and its Environment

Enrichment/Project Work:

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

Upcoming Events:

FEBRUARY 2023

F 10 Professional Staff Day (staff only)
(no school for students)

MARCH 2023

F 10 3rd 9-Week Grading Period Ends (44 days)
 M 13 Spring Break Begins
 M 20 School Resumes
 4th 9-Week Grading Period Begins

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Hello Parents!!

We have had a very full week and it's been a busy workload all week!. Everyone has worked hard and it's been good. Nearly everyone has stayed on task and made this week one of great success.

Among the great things from this week was WRAD (World Read Aloud Day). This proved to be a great day, one that held some amazing and fun reads and shares with illustrators in a live session. While many of the times didn't work well with our schedule, there are recordings that will be available throughout the next several days.

Next week is another short week. Friday the students are off and teachers are attending professional development, meetings and other sessions. That means with the shortened week a couple items will be adjusted, shortened and removed to keep the workload fair, but cover material adequately.

We have new projects, activities and enrichment getting ready to start. Some of the upcoming highlights (that the class already knows about) are: MinecraftEDu scavenger hunt using X,Y,Z coordinates in multi-biome/multi-realm world. This will have them exploring and searching through a campus themed to be like an ancient Greek campus for learning where Plato might have instructed. The second region is setup like Boston Harbor at the time of the Boston Tea Party. This includes the harbor, many of the actual building and the Old North Church...along with several secret passage ways and more. The final regions of the scavenger hunt are set in the high mountains and involve tricks, teleporting traps and more. We shall see how the student follow directions. Also coming are more robotic platforms. This will include Ozobot, a small but powerful line follower and programmable robot. Last is a new TinkerCad project...Hero Rings. These are loosely themed after the DC Lantern Corp, but extend far earlier into the work of Lee Falk and his multigenerational character, the Phantom. We have a lot of fun coming up soon...buckle up!!

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
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Spelling List

This Week's Focus:

- Spell words with the /ur/ sound spelled **er**, **ir**, **ur**, **ear**, **or**, and **ar**

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| 1. early | 10. doctor |
| 2. earth | 11. sailor |
| 3. search | 12. shower |
| 4. service | 13. bakery |
| 5. wonder | 14. another |
| 6. surface | 15. barber |
| 7. curly | 16. collar |
| 8. shirt | 17. worse |
| 9. thirty | 18. world |

Worldly Wise: Lesson 5

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

1. recreation
2. court
3. interval
4. limited
5. tackle

6. arctic
7. league
8. milestone
9. elected
10. amazing