



# BRANTLEY CLASSROOM NEWS

West Lafayette Elementary School

<https://mrbrantley.weebly.com/>

2020-2021



Third Grade News / Curriculum

02/19/21 - Newsletter

**Stories:**

**A Bumpy Ride**

- \* Make & Confirm Predictions & Text Structure

**Rosie Revere, Engineer**

- \* Make & Confirm Predictions, Literary Elements, Figurative Language

**Foundational Skills:**

- \* Decoding: Prefixes re-, un- and Suffixes -less, -ness, Spelling: Prefixes re-, un- and Suffixes -less, -ness, Fluency: Reading Rate

**Vocabulary:**

- \* Dictionary/Glossary
- \* Reference Sources: Dictionary/Glossary
- \* Prefix ex-
- \* Spiral Review: Greek root graph and suffix -logy

**Math: Chp.12 Represent and Interpret Data**

- Mon. Chp. 12 pgs. 715-718 Line Plots
- Tues.Chp. 12 pgs. 721-722 Check my Progress
- Wed. Chp. 12 pgs. 723-726 1/2 & 1/4 inch
- Thurs. Chp.12 pgs. 729-732 Measurement Data
- Fri. Chp. 12 pgs. 735-738 Problem Solving



**Also Math topics this week!!**

- Timelines
- Graphing
- Data/Survey collection methods
- Data management/manipulation

**Science:**

- Science Chp 4 - Energy
- Sound and Light Demos

**Social Studies:**

- Iditarod



**MARCH 2021**

- F 12 Third Nine-Week Grading Period Ends (45 days)
- M 15 Spring Break Begins
- M 22 School Resumes  
Fourth Nine-Week Grading Period Begins

<https://www.wl.k12.in.us/info/school-year-calendar>

<http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/news-blog>

Hello Parents,

Another short week in the history books. Ms. K and I are at school this Friday working and learning. Good discussions and good conversation with everyone in the corporation. Cultural and diversity training and conversations. It was a good morning of discussions and a productive afternoon of work!!

Next week we get a full week!! I think that the return to 'normal' is exciting. We get a full week to get done some great work!! There are good lessons coming and some fun demonstrations that hopefully will inspire and start good discussions about science and social studies.

One exciting new topic that we start this week is the study of the history and events of the 2021 Iditarod race. This, for the unfamiliar, is a race across Alaska on dog sleds that celebrates part of the 1925 serum run when there was an outbreak of diphtheria that threatened the community of Nome and the surrounding villages. This obviously runs into a few correlations to our current pandemic world...but it's also an amazing story of resilience and struggle by those that worked to deliver this serum and save the children and people of Nome.

Ms. K and I are looking forward to a full week. Ms. Kolby and Ms. Holle are working on their first lessons and we are all ready for some great things this week!! Have a great 3-day weekend!! See you all Monday!!

**BOOK PROJECTS: 5 projects due by March 12th. <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.html>**

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# Spelling: **Module 08 Week 02**

**Pretest Monday, Post Test Friday!!!**

*\*\*SpellingCity is gone...no longer a functioning website. Learning A-Z has not proven to work well yet...so more changes. We will try AAASpell.com as an alternative, but likely Friday Quizzes will be oral and using an online template\*\**

1. unfold  
2. rejoin  
3. reheat  
4. unfair  
5. rewrite  
6. unwrap

7. painless  
8. helpless  
9. kindness  
10. fearless  
11. goodness

12. spotless  
13. softness  
14. darkness  
15. invited  
16. planned

17. drumming  
18. changing  
19. forgiveness  
20. effortless  
21. reawaken  
22. unequal

## Vocabulary: **Module 08 Week 02**

\*\*\*These words will NOT be on spelling, but will be used for meaning and sentence creation\*\*\*

### **BIG IDEA WORDS**

invention  
brilliant  
productive  
original

### **CRITICAL VOCABULARY WORDS**

engineer  
perplexed  
lingers  
whirled  
baffled  
dynamo  
vibrating  
graceful  
loan  
pose

### **HIGH-FREQUENCY WORDS**

energy  
matter  
discovered

### **INSTRUCTIONAL VOCABULARY**

confirm  
prediction  
conflict  
problem  
resolution  
text structure  
character  
literary element  
plot  
setting  
figurative language  
imagery