

# Brantley Classroom News

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

03-11-16 Newsletter

**Reading:** "Running Shoes" by Frederick Lipp and Lightning Thief

**Focus Skills:** words with prefixes: un-, re-, and commonly misspelled words, regular past-tense verbs

**Spelling Unit:** #28 (Monday pretest) see list below

**Vocabulary:** see list below

**Math:**

Focus on Fractions:

- Improper and Mixed fractions
- Fractions and Ratios
- Fractions and Decimals
- Fractions, Decimals and Percetages

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Daily Math Quizzes...spiral topics  
Khan Academy, Sumdog, FrontrowEd, Xtramath, ThatQuiz

**Science / Social Studies:**

- Iditarod Racer Cards...paper and slide
- Time Life for Kids
- Lightning Thief: Chp 10 responses due Monday
- Lightning Thief: Chps 11-13 next week!!

**Upcoming Events:**

- 5 Book Projects Due by March 11th
- Make SURE to stay on top of ThatQuiz quizzes
- Assignments NEED to be turned in when they are DUE!!

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Hello Parents,

WOW!! Spring Break is upon us!! I can't believe that means we are staring down the last nine weeks of school for this year! I still have so much to do, and so little time to get it all complete...but that's the case every year. I am certainly looking forward to this break, both for myself as well as for the students. I hope that everyone has a wonderful and relaxing break and returns rejuvenated and ready to have a fantastic final grading period.

In the last grading period I hope to get into several projects. There will be multiple 3d printing lessons and projects, physics will be a fun and exciting focus, and I have hopes to bring more hands on experiments and projects to the class before we run out of time.

The first project of the grading period is the Postcard Project that you probably have already heard or read about. There is a huge bulletin board that will play host to the posters that the students create. Over spring break the goal is collection. Just try to collect a postcard, brochure, map, picture, etc about what you and your child did. This will be the basis for their poster. These will then be connected with string to their various destinations and we will create a class web of our spring break travels and experiences. This has been a fun and interesting project each year for more years than I care to admit. Sometimes this has even helped to enrich the vacations as the students are a little more engaged in gathering information about their trip. I hope you can all have fun getting the pieces together for this fun project!!

Please have an amazing break and make sure to come back ready to work hard. We have nine weeks left and so much to do. No testing for about a month and a half, so time to enjoy school and the stuff that we should be doing. Have fun and see you in a week!!

Classroom Calendar: <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/calendar.html>

Assignments page: <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/assignments.html>

Have a WONDERFUL weekend...REST!!

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<b>Spelling Unit #28</b>
<b>Pretest Monday...if not 100% Retest Friday</b>

1. early	10. dirt
2. heard	11. nurse
3. were	12. turkey
4. third	13. Thursday
5. fur	14. world
6. work	15. rehearsal
7. word	16. twirl
8. search	17. furniture
9. Earth	18. worst

<b>NG Vocabulary</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Sentences in class</li><li>● Quizzes and online games (SpellingCity)</li></ul>
achieve, direction, distance, estimate, feet, goal, kilometer, measurement, meter, strategy, unit