

Brantley Classroom News

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

09-09-16 Newsletter

Reading: "When the Pigs Took Over"

by Arthur Dorros, Picture Books: Buffalo Song, Sparrow Girl, Grandfather's Dream, Pied Piper

Focus Skills: short e and commonly misspelled words, capitalization of titles, commas in addresses, punctuation of dialogue

Spelling Unit: #5 Pretest on Monday, practice for next week. 100% on pretest means no Friday test!

Wordly Wise: Lesson 3: Review & Practice:

ambition, auction, coast, current, frail, intelligent, novel, resident, starve, volunteer

Math:

Chapter #2 - Addition - continuing...

- Tuesday: pgs. 85-92
- Wednesday: pgs. 93-98
- Thursday: pgs. 99-104
- Friday: 105-112

GLOSS and Ikan assessments (done)
STAR Math this week

Science / Social Studies:

- Google Classroom: Assignments!!
- Coding: Course 2 - Mazes, Loops, etc
- First Project: Introduced Tuesday 9-6: Cannons, Catapults and Trebuchets!!!

Upcoming Events:

- Wed. 12 First Nine-Week Grading Period Ends (44 days)
- Thurs. 13 Second Nine-Week Grading Period Begins
- Fri. 28 Fall Break
- Mon. 31 Fall Break

Hello Parents,

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

Four days...four days and somehow it always feels like the longest week!! That said, it was a productive week. We completed a bit more of the beginning of the year assessment (STAR Reading and Math) and are looking ahead at starting literacy circles and reading groups soon!! This is a fun time of year!!

Next week we will add research time to our reading. You child should have brought home directions for their first research project. Cannons, Catapults and Trebuchets is a fun fall research project. This leads us into several connects including (but not limited to) physics, 3D printing and a mini study on aerodynamics. Isn't third grade great!!

Please make sure you are helping your child get their materials back to school each day. There have been a few missing folders and missing homework assignments...and as usual your kids are quick to say it was mom's fault :-)

Next week will be great!! Hopefully the weather will start to ease up and give us all a break!

BOOK PROJECTS:

There are 5 projects due each grading period. That means that there will be 5 due by October 12th.

If you are looking for guidelines and expectations: <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.html>

These books projects can be ANY book your child wishes to read or even have read to them. If you read a book, or share read a book...this can be a book project book. So far I've seen just a few book projects turned in. Some of your children have taken the opportunity to use the weekly picture books.

Make sure to check out the new assignments page on the class website. This is intended to keep everyone (your kids and me) on task and making consistent progress. This will be very similar to what the students will write into their planners. <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/assignments.html>

Have a WONDERFUL weekend...REST!!

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Spelling Unit #5 - LIST!!!

Pretest Monday...Posttest on Friday

1. started

2. starting

3. smiled

4. smiling

5. cried

6. crying

7. planned

8. planning

9. hoped

10. hoping

11. fried

12. frying

13. hopped

14. hopping

15. amazed

16. dragged

17. amazing

18. dragging

19. add

20. few

21. side