# Brantley Classroom News

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Third Grade News / Curriculum	09-23-16 Newsletter
Reading: "When the Wolves Returned" by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent Picture Books: Rain Forest Animals, Journeying into the Rainforest, Rain Forest habitat, Red-Eyed tree Frog Story Focus: This science article describes how wolves affect the ecosystem of Yellowstone National Park.  Spelling Unit: #7 Pretest Monday, Friday test Wordly Wise: Lesson 4: average, border, cocoon, flutter, moisture, nectar, process, span, suitable, timber	Math: Chapter #3 - Subtraction  Monday: 159-164  Tuesday: pgs 165-170  Wednesday: pgs 171-176  Thursday: pgs 177-182 & Review  Friday: Chapter 3 Quizzes
Science / Social Studies:  Google Classroom: Assignments!!  Coding: Course 2 - Mazes, Loops, etc First Project: Cannons, Catapults and Trebuchets!!! Due 9/26	Upcoming Events: SEPTEMBER:  Cannons, Catapults and Trebuchets project DUE 9/26 OCTOBER:  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

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Hello Parents,

Busy busy busy!!! That's apparently the theme for the week....but that's alright...it's the norm. I wouldn't have it any other way!!

Reading groups are off to a great start!! Mr. Stahl and I met with groups for a "soft start" to reading. This was a chance to meet the groups and get to hear each student read. It was pretty great!! I look forward to next week!!

In class we stayed busy as well. This week added Time Life for Kids. We looked at some information about the candidates for president, we tried to leave opinions out of the fact discussions...but every day someone talked about building a wall...oh well...one suggested that maybe that would have been a good campaign button.

The Cannon, Catapult and Trebuchet research projects and visual elements are due Monday. This gives everyone one more weekend to knock out some writing, and for those building...time for glue to dry :-)

Next week we will start to compile information and create slides. This is a slightly new approach, but one that I look forward to and think will be great fun!

I plan to start training the students on TinkerCAD next week. This is the CAD (Computer Aided Design) program we use for creating and designing 3D object for printing on the 3D printers. I have a list of projects that we will complete throughout the year. Your child will be designing an object that they will be allowed to print and keep...forever.

The end of the first grading period is approaching. I have been reminding students that completing assignments and turning in book projects is IMPORTANT. I keep a checklist daily of assignments...this way I know exactly who I need to chase down work from, or remind to take work home...but that only goes so far. Please help at home with your child's work folder. If they have incomplete work...that means it needs to be finished.

Have a WONDERFUL weekend...REST!!

Cannons, Catapults and Trebuchets RUBRIC: <a href="http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/uploads/7/0/9/5/7095917/siege\_device\_rubric.pdf">http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/uploads/7/0/9/5/7095917/siege\_device\_rubric.pdf</a>
Assignments page: <a href="http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/assignments.html">http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/assignments.html</a>

#### **BOOK PROJECTS:**

There are 5 projects due each grading period. That means 5 due by October 12th. http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.html

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## Spelling Unit #7 - Spelling LIST!!!

### Pretest Monday...Post-test Friday

1. smell	12. dead
2. then	13. feather
3. together	14. bread
4. getting	15. arrest
5. head	16. pretend
6. ready	17. heavier
7. instead	18. jealous
8. fresh	19. eat
9. spelling	20. food
10. else	21. while

11. breakfast