BRANTLEY CLASSROOM NEWS
West Lafayette Elementary School
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Third Grade News / Curriculum	09/11//20 Newsletter

Reading: Scaredy Squirrel

Focus Skills:

A LOL Story
   * Connect & Teach: Text & Graphic Features

Dear Primo
   * Connect & Teach: Retell/Summarize
   * Connect & Teach: Point of View
   * Connect & Teach: Text & Graphic Features
   * Connect & Teach: Literary Elements

Foundational Skills:
   * Decoding: More Long o Spellings
   * Spelling: More Long o Spellings
   * Fluency: Phrasing

Math: Chapter 1: Place Value
 * **Mon.** Chp. 2 pgs. 53-54 Am I Ready
 * **Tues.** Chp. 2 pgs.61-64 Addition Properties
 * **Wed.** Chp. 2 pgs. 67-70 Patterns: Addition Table
 * **Thurs** Chp 2 pgs. 73-76 Addition Patterns
 * **Fri.** Chp 2 pgs.79-82 Add Mentally

Chapter **2** Addition

Science / Social Studies:
   ● Studies Weekly - Week 4 - Geographic Overview of the United States and Indiana

Enrichment/Project Work:
   ● TinkerCAD - lesson 1-9 (posted in Google Classroom)

Upcoming Events:

SEPTEMBER 2020
   W   2   eLearning (no students in school)
   M   7   **Labor Day - No School**
   W   16   eLearning (no students in school)

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Hello Parents!

Wow!! What a great four day week! I don't just say that because it was a short week, but because these four days were packed with great work and awesome results. The class was great about their work and maintaining a solid effort.

The wrap up of this week was strangely positive with the conclusion of the book I've been reading: Abel's Island. This is a fun "Castaway"-like story about a mouse told by William Steig. This is an almost forgotten author/artist from the early 1900s...actually the creator of Shrek. We had fun reading his adventure story and then watched the Scholastic video of the story. A fun 30 minute video that follows the books quite well. A fun conclusion to a busy week!

Next week we have another E-Learning Wednesday. There will be a couple minor adjustments to the day. We will still plan to use Zoom as our video/virtual class meeting. There will be two meetings, both required. The first will start at 9:00AM. Attendance will be taken. This meeting will conclude at or before 11:00AM. This will allow for students to work, turn in items and utilize messages in Google Classroom as needed. They will be expected to complete both the PE and Library Google Classroom activities during this time. The second required meeting will start at approximately 1:45PM and finish about 2:45, or earlier. Attendance will be taken per the state requirements for E-Learning attendance.

I hope to have a few fun items/projects going next week. One I've already hinted about to the class...and those especially from Mrs. Peter's 2nd grade classroom, they are excited!

Today was a great day of 3D printing, fun discussions and mini lessons one-on-one about TinkerCAD, getting 3D prints ready and problem solving. More and more I am seeing students trying to work out their own solutions...before just asking for an answer. This is always to goal during third grade...to develop and bring to life that early independence. These students are capable of so much...some just need the confidence to dive in and make mistakes….get messy...and LEARN!!

BOOK PROJECTS: **5 projects due by Oct. 15th. http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.html**

Spelling: Module 02 Week 01

Pretest Monday, Retest Friday!!!

1. load
2. open
3. told
4. yellow
5. soak
6. shadow
7. toe
8. follow
9. glow
10. sold
11. window
12. almost
13. boast
14. doe
15. trail
16. afraid
17. sleep
18. dream
19. chosen
20. approach
21. alone
22. below

Vocabulary: Module 02 Week 01

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

BIG IDEA WORDS
express
convey
chronicle
creative

CRITICAL VOCABULARY WORDS
video
hydrant
block
costumes
march

HIGH-FREQUENCY WORDS
believe
happy
love
felt

INSTRUCTIONAL VOCABULARY
graphic feature
text feature
type
event
retell
narrator
point of view
ellipses
label
character
literary elements
plot
setting