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Third Grade News / Curriculum		10/27/23 - Newsletter
Reading and ELA: American Places/American Ideals myBook • That's Entertainment! GENRE: Opinion Text • The Saga of Pecos Bill GENRE: Drama/Fairy Tale Comprehension • Ideas and Support • Visualize • Elements of Drama • Literary Elements • Figurative Language Response to Text • Flash Fiction	Phonological Awareness Blending Longer Words* Decoding Consonant Digraphs Spelling Spelling the /ch/ Sound Basic Words: fetch, stretch, roach, each, peach, screech, snatch, hatch, branch, clutch, trench, cinch, ouch, couch • Review Words: wreck, knock, wrist, wrong • Challenge Words: stretcher, switching, launch, slouch Fluency Expression High-Frequency Words dance, speak, paint Writing: Persuasive writing and technical grant writing	Math: Multiplication and Division Topic 3 Finish and Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applying properties of multiplication • Distributive property of multiplication • Associative property of multiplication • Solving "real-world" problems with multiplication Topic 4 : pre assessment and Intro Spiral Concepts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patterns • Fractions • Measurement
Science / Social Studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TinkerCAD lessons • MinecraftEDU: Square Footage assignment • Slideshow Stop motion • Cannons, Catapults and Trebuchets (INFORMATION LINK) • 3D Rockets 	Upcoming Events: October 10/25 1st 9 Wks report cards posted on Skyward 10/30 to 11/1 Parent conferences 11/2 Picture Retakes	

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Hello Parents!!

A full week back and I think everyone is tired...the coughing is up and allergies are causing troubles. It's been a long week! That said, we have gotten some great work done this week. We've almost all gotten MinecraftEDU houses started....I think the last square footage outline is now complete. We've gotten several Cannon, Catapult and Trebuchet papers in and several visuals. We finished our first PenPal letters to Ms. Brantley's 3rd grade class in Rossville. We cooked apples and enjoyed Pan de Muerto (bread of the dead) and in the last two days we've discussed and started writing the persuasive component of a grant we will present to Mrs. Delaney and parent council next week. It's been a busy week but one that I would say was very productive!

With everything we did this week...next week might actually be busier!? I have several items on the list for next week, not the least of which will be opportunities for students to share their visuals and models. We will also begin working as a class in teams to experiment with catapults, trebuchets and also start printing the "rockets" for air cannon tests. Busy, busy, busy...I love the busy days!!!

There are spots still available for parent conferences if you have interest in meeting and talking. By now I hope you've gotten online and seen the report cards. Most have grades that should be a point of pride. A few have areas to work on. It's all part of the growth in 3rd grade!

I hope that everyone has a great weekend! For those attending Purdue Space Day...have fun! For everyone else, I hope you find something fun and relaxing to do this weekend!!

BOOK PROJECTS: 5 due or Reading Logs completed by Oct. 11. <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.html>

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This Week's Focus:

- Spell words with the schwa sound
- Spell words with the short u sound spelled o

1. across

2. alone

3. among

4. brother

5. again

6. front

7. banana

8. appear

9. compass

10. pedal

11. given

12. heaven

13. mountain

14. ocean

15. cousin

16. purchase

17. often

18. color