



# BRANTLEY CLASSROOM NEWS

West Lafayette Elementary School

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

10/28/22 - Newsletter

**Stories on Stage:**

**That's Entertainment**

- \* Ideas and Support

**The Saga of Pecos Bill**

- \* Visualize
- \* Elements of Drama
- \* Literary Elements
- \* Figurative Language

**Foundational Skills:**

- \* Decoding: Consonant digraphs (ch, tch, sh, wh, th, ph, ng)
- \* Spelling: Spelling the /ch/ sound
- \* Fluency: Expression

**Vocabulary:**

- \* Shades of Meaning
- \* Prefixes in- (not), im- (into)
- \* Spiral Review: Prefix im- (not)

**Writing:**

- \* Narrative Writing - Story

**Math: Topic 3: Multiplication Properties**

- Distributive property models & practice
- Quick checks and review practice
- Home connection-review packet
- Modified/Custom Quiz
- Math enrichment and inspiration
- Small group support



**Science / Social Studies:**

- Scholastic News
- Current Events-News
- Discussions

**Enrichment/Project Work:**

- TinkerCAD: Rockets, rocket launches, reprints...
- Hands on building projects: Rockets (air and straw designs)
- Air cannon rockets (with 3D printed rockets and aerodynamics)

**Upcoming Events:**

**OCTOBER 2022**

- Th 13 1<sup>st</sup> 9-week Grading Period Ends (45 days)
- F 14 Fall Break
- M 17 Fall Break
- T 18 2<sup>nd</sup> Nine-Week Grading Period Begins

**NOVEMBER 2022**

- W 23 Thanksgiving Holiday - No school
- Th 24 Thanksgiving Holiday - No school
- F 25 Thanksgiving Holiday - No school

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Happy Friday!!

It's been a busy week! We are working hard and making great headway on projects and work in class. Several students are already done and have launched their rockets. Now the virtual testing has been confirmed or at least tested for real. This was a fun Friday afternoon activity. A surprise while we were outside was a visit from Mrs. Kropnander and her class. She had ingredients for elephant toothpaste. This is a fun exothermic reaction that may not have been as spectacular as some Youtube videos...but we did see the reactions and with the cool air just a little steam from the reaction. There may be a follow up attempt later.

Next week we are continuing with project work and some good research about cultural celebrations during this time of year. We already watched and read about Diwali. Next, we will learn about Dia de los Muertos and some of the amazing decorations, traditions and foods and festivals surrounding the celebration.

The Purdue literacy program information has been sent home. I hope that some of you will take a moment to read a little about the program and its purpose. We are in a place to have a great opportunity for the students as well as helping future teachers. Please take a look and consider signing your child up.

We have our first field trip Tuesday! We are going to have a short trip out to one of Purdue's research farms. This should be fun and a little educational as we learn some about what it takes to grow trees at an orchard. I know I'd looking forward to this trip!

**Have a great weekend!!!**

**BOOK PROJECTS: 5 due and of 2nd grading period. 5 due by Dec. 21st, 2022. <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.htm>**

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## Building Spelling Skills:

Week 05 -

This Week's Focus:

- Spell words with the short i sound
- Spell words with the long i sound spelled i, y, igh, and uy

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| 1. since  | 10. decide     |
| 2. which  | 11. why        |
| 3. inch   | 12. skyscraper |
| 4. string | 13. buy        |
| 5. picnic | 14. right      |
| 6. shrimp | 15. lightning  |
| 7. title  | 16. write      |
| 8. mind   | 17. cypress    |
| 9. wild   | 18. bicycle    |