

# Brantley Classroom News

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

11-20-15 Newsletter

**Reading:** "A Better Way" by Juan Quintana  
**Focus Skills:** verbs ending in -ed and commonly misspelled words, helping verbs, forms of Do  
**Spelling Unit:** NO SPELLING--Only 2 Days  
**Vocabulary: (4-3 New)** agriculture, alternative, conservation, crop, farmer, field, future, harvest, method, plow, sustain

**Math:**  
**WILL be making time for: The Number Devil**  
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Grading period goal - Topics #5 through #10  
Students working at their own pace...  
Exploring Envision 2.0 (possible new series for next year)  
Khan Academy, Sumdog, FrontrowEd, Xtramath, ThatQuiz

**Science / Social Studies:**

- Google Classroom: Assignments!!
- TinkerCAD - looking at aerodynamics
- Minecraft...Square Footage/Budget Home...
  - LONG TERM PROJECT - due Nov. 24th

**Upcoming Events:**

- 5 Book Projects Due by Dec. 18th
- Quizzes NEED to be caught up
- Assignments NEED to be turned in

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Hello Parents,

Another quick week...and by quick I mean 5 days of running, exciting, fun, exhaustion.

This week turned very fun toward the end. I think that everyone will remember the visit with Dr. and Mrs. French. They are certainly double the trouble...heh heh. We had fun and learned that cooking even takes different forms. Basically we chilled out...really really chilled (pun intended!!)

We did work hard on several other things this week. MinecraftEDU is quite the life consuming project. There will be a few kiddos (maybe more than a few) that will be scrambling Monday and Tuesday....but I have been helping (sometimes sneaking help) with their roof work, walls and windows...trying to get them to a point that they can focus on finishing the insides and getting this project wrapped up. There are a few master builders...those that read the Minecraft books and already knew about the 'realism' aspects of Minecraft. Lets just say we've ALL been working hard to wrap this project up!!

This next week is ONLY TWO DAYS!!! Monday and Tuesday are all we are here for!! We will be working, but not on spelling...and we won't have reading or language arts quizzes at the end of the week (Tuesday). We will be writing...really focussing on writing about plans, family, and other topics. There will be math...I am pushing for good math work and possibly a quiz (shhhhhh...don't tell).

I think we will have some fun next week...we've started watching one of the more obscure Snoopy videos..."Snoopy Come Home". This is a great connection to the previous obscure video we watched about Snoopy this year ("Snoopy Reunion"). This'll be a fun alternative to the normal Charlie Brown Thanksgiving that they have all seen.

Classroom Calendar: <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/calendar.html>  
Assignments page: <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/assignments.html>

Have a WONDERFUL weekend...REST!!

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**NG Vocabulary 4-3 (New)**

- Sentences in class
- Quizzes and online games (SpellingCity)

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