



BRANTLEY CLASSROOM NEWS

West Lafayette Elementary School

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2022|2023

Third Grade News / Curriculum

12/02/22 - Newsletter

Stories:

Frozen Alive

- * Text & Graphic Features

This Is Your Life cycle

- * Retell/Summarize
- * Author's Purpose
- * Text & Graphic Features
- * Author's Craft

Foundational Skills:

- * Decoding: Words with ar, or, ore
- * Spelling: Vowel + /r/ Sounds
- * Fluency: Expression

Vocabulary:

- * Reference Sources: Thesaurus
- * Greek prefixes uni-, bi-, tri-
- * Spiral Review: Suffix -ment
- * Vocabulary Spiral Review

Writing:

- * Informational Writing: Expository Essay

Math: Topic 4: Multiplication Properties

- Relate Multiplication and Division
- Review
- Practice & Review for test
- Home practice and review
- Topic 4 test



Science / Social Studies:

- Scholastic News

Enrichment/Project Work:

- TinkerCAD: Rockets (final prints), Hotbox Toppers
- Hands on building projects: Cardboard houses
- No Sew Blankets and Hats
- Other projects

Upcoming Events:

NOVEMBER 2022

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

DECEMBER 2022

- W 21 1st Semester Ends (44 days)
- Th 22 (Winter Break begins)

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Happy Friday (actually Saturday),

Well, it's Saturday and I'm finally getting this newsletter written. That wasn't the original plan, so I apologize to anyone that this may have inconvenienced.

This week has been a busy one...but positive. I think we accomplished good project work as we have been finishing up the MinecraftEDU houses and listing project. This is a fun project, but one that always takes just a bit longer than I expect. About half the class has work turned in...we will hopefully get the second half wrapped up early next week.

The visit from Mrs. Shook was great. She always brings a positive energy even though she is talking about a less than positive topic. Some students had very good questions. I know that other questions will pop up as we get the project started.

I am working on plans to have a dedicated time for blankets and hats this coming week. I know that several parents have expressed interest in supporting/volunteering during this time. I will try to get this information out ASAP. We will likely start hats as early as Monday and see how we all do with cutting and tying basic knots.

One issue I need to share is that of students going to the nurse for snacks. The number of students has begun to increase for those visiting the nurse for snacks. We take a break during the morning every day for a "snack break". This is certainly not a required thing, but most students are getting hungry and with our lunch at 12:45 it's a long morning with nothing to eat. I would ask that parents please help out and make sure your child has a snack from home if possible. The nurse's supply is getting hit hard. If there are questions or concerns please contact me.

Next week will be a busy week. We have NWEA, MinecraftEDU houses to finish, TinkerCAD HotBox toppers to start printing, Cardboard houses to assemble and light, hats and blankets and more. I think it will be a good week!!

Rest up this week and have your student ready for a good and busy week!

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

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Building Spelling Skills:

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Spelling List

This Week's Focus:

- Spell time and calendar words
- Identify word origins

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| 1. Tuesday | 10. November |
| 2. Wednesday | 11. month |
| 3. Thursday | 12. year |
| 4. Saturday | 13. holiday |
| 5. January | 14. autumn |
| 6. February | 15. season |
| 7. July | 16. calendar |
| 8. August | 17. second |
| 9. September | 18. minute |