



BRANTLEY CLASSROOM NEWS

West Lafayette Elementary School

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

12/04/20 - Newsletter

Story: Brothers at Bat

- * Make & Confirm Predictions, Figurative Language
- * Text Structure, Point of View

Foundational Skills:

- * Decoding: Contractions with n't, 'd, 've
- * Spelling: Contractions
- * Fluency: Reading Rate

Vocabulary:

- * Spiral Review: Suffixes -er/-or "one who..."
- * Latin roots aud, vis
- * Spiral Review: Greek Root bio; Latin Review
- * Vocabulary Spiral Review

Math: Chp. 6 Multiplication and Division Patterns

- * **Mon.** Chp.6 pgs. 307-310 Divide by 2
- * **Tues.** Chp. 6 pgs. 313-316 X5
- * **Wed.** Chp. 6 pgs. 319-322 Divide by 5
- * **Thurs.** Chp. 6 pgs. 325-326 Check my Progress
- * **Fri.** Chp. 6 pgs. 327-330 Prob. Solving



Science / Social Studies:

- Studies Weekly - Week 15
- **Enrichment/Project Work:**
 - Laser Projects
 - Hands on Crafts
 - Holidays around the World



Upcoming Events:

DECEMBER 2020

- W 9 Jr/Sr HS eLearning Day – no students (WLES and WLIS students will be in school)
- F 18 First semester in-school session ends
- M 21 Final eLearning day for first semester (Staff will be in attendance from 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM)
- T 22 Winter Break Begins

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Hello and Happy Weekend to ALL!!,

We are at the end of a busy week. I think everyone is just a bit tired. We tackled NWEA Reading and Math and everyone either held their scores or improved. I look forward to seeing so of the data to help guide second semester.

We took a little break and watched some Snoopy... "I want a Dog for Christmas". Linus' little brother Rerun is quite the comedian. I think Snoopy was a relaxing break...so many students worked on math through the video while laughing and enjoying the humor. I just wanted to lighten the afternoon and give everyone something a little fun to enjoy.

Next week we will dive into projects, book project wrap up and blankets. During a "normal" year I'd have already asked for volunteers to come work with the class to get these blankets completed....but it's 2020 and nothing is "normal". I do have some good news. One of our parents in on staff in the building...and she's volunteered to help when she can, we also may be sharing a teacher candidate (they used to be called student teachers) and she has volunteered to help. Ms. K visited today and is very excited that she might be able to split her time between one of our school's E-Learning classroom and our onsite classroom. This will create an interesting well rounded experience, especially with E-Learning growing to the point of common place in our world.

I hope that everyone rests and returns Monday ready for a great week. We will start some reading about festivals of light around the world while we get a little creative and have some fun. I have a simple goal...have some fun in the next two weeks before winter break. This class has worked so hard and been so great...it's time for a little fun!!

BOOK PROJECTS: 5 projects due by Dec. 18th. <http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/book-projects.html>

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Spelling: Module 05 Week 03

Pretest Monday, Post Test Friday!!!

1. I'd
2. aren't
3. haven't
4. doesn't
5. hadn't
6. would've
7. wouldn't
8. should've
9. we'd
10. weren't
11. hasn't
12. couldn't
13. he'd

14. they'd
15. whole
16. their
17. fur
18. hear
19. shouldn't
20. won't
21. contraction
22. placement
23. shouldn't
24. won't
25. contraction
26. placement

Vocabulary: Module 05 Week 03

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

BIG IDEA WORDS

collaboration
symbiosis
determination
unity

CRITICAL VOCABULARY WORDS

littered (p. 370)
rivalry (p. 371)
disbanded (p. 374)
donated (p. 379)
generations (p. 380)
soared (p. 380)

INSTRUCTIONAL VOCABULARY

clarify
monitor
live action
media
sound elements
visual elements
character
literary elements
plot
setting
author's purpose
entertain
inform
persuade