

# Brantley Classroom News

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

January 16, 2015

**Reading:** "Meet Maycira Costa" by Nora Brook  
**Focus Skills:** words with r-controlled vowels: ar, er, ir, or, ur and commonly misspelled words, demonstrative adjectives and articles  
**Spelling Unit:** Spelling Unit #19 (see below)  
**Vocabulary Lesson # 5-3 :** *area, combine, composition, firm, ground, mixture, sand, surface, water, wetland*

**Math:**

- Topic #20 and Enrichment
- Students working at their own pace.
  - This may mean your child is working ahead on unlisted chapters...check on their Pearson page for progress
- Topic #12 - Fractions

**Science / Social Studies:**

- Google Classroom: Article and Assignments!!
- Code.org ---COURSE #3 The adventure continues!!!

**Upcoming Events:**

- *January 2015*
  - *Jan. 19th - MLK Day - No School*

Minecraft Community: **MINECRAFT EDU ROCKS!!**

Hello Parents,

Four days this week, four days next week. PLEASE remember that we are out of school for MLK Day, Monday January 19th.

This coming week will be another short four day week...hopefully there's no snow, temperature, or ice delays or cancellations. We should be in for normal days and completing several projects. The students have been working on their Minecraft homes as the start to our community. This project is unfortunately locked into a server located at school...inaccessible to students at home. They have been working very hard and most are already done meeting all the expectation in the rubric for this part. I expect that all the rest will be done by next Friday. They will evaluate themselves and turn in that rubrics, then I will score them. This adds an extra level of the evaluation process...one that may be quite interesting.

We WILL continue the Native American homes soon...the days away from school have limited the project continuation...combined with the Middle Of the Year (MOY) testing and assessment. I hate the time consumed by assessment...it's a tedious process, but the information and the proof of academic growth is valuable. I will share information as I have it processed and recorded.

I hope that everyone will contact me if there is need/desire to meet and discuss report cards (January 26th) as them come out. I am working on closing out averages and recording the last information...report cards will likely be my focus through the weekend and into next week. I will have them ready for home the following Monday (Jan. 26th).

News about projects will be coming home. Please try to look at your child's folder once or twice this coming week...just in case they might possibly forget to share...

Have a great 3-Day weekend!! :-)

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## Spelling Unit #18

No Pretest...Test on Friday...study

1. happen

2. pretty

3. letter

4. little

5. rabbit

6. off

7. hurry

8. million

9. balloon

10. ladder

11. puddle

12. middle

13. hammer

14. lesson

15. intelligent

16. marshmallow

17. pepperoni

18. supposed