

Brantley Classroom News

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Third Grade News / Curriculum

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Reading: "Blues Legend: Blind Lemon Jefferson" by Libby Lewis
Focus Skills: words with y and commonly misspelled words, subject pronouns and object pronouns
Spelling Unit: Spelling Unit #21 (see below)
Vocabulary Lesson # 6-2 (review) : *express, feelings, heritage, music, perform, popular, region, rhythm, style, vary*

Math:

- Topic #12 - Fractions
- Topic #17 - Time and Temperature
- Topic #13 - Decimals and Money
- Students working at their own pace.
 - This may mean your child is working ahead on unlisted chapters...check on their Pearson page for progress

Science / Social Studies:

- Google Classroom: Article and Assignments!!
- Google Classroom:
- Time Life for Kids - study guide & quiz

Upcoming Events:

- *February:*
 - 4th - Winter Carnival
 - 9th - Popovich Comedy - **Field Trip**

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

Hello Parents,

We had a full week...it's a miracle!! We got so much done, but unfortunately without the entire class. Still several ill kids this week...I know it's rough. Always check with me if you are looking for work...if your child feels up to getting something done.

This week brought a few items to a close...and opened the beginning of new projects. Minecraft houses are done! I will be working to post and share some of their work. Actually, I'll have the students capture screenshots of their houses and create photo layouts next week.

There are several projects starting next week. The students will be working on completing proposals for additions to our Minecraft community. This is a group project that will include a proposal, the actual construction of the facility in the community and finally a reflection paper (completed by each individual) about the process. Our community is growing...and with the group projects...will beginning to encompass the needs of a small community. This minecraft world has become their community and their experience with some of the government and civic responsibilities. I look forward to sharing images and possibly virtual tours of this world soon.

Another project that is looming ever closer is the historic study of the annual Iditarod race. This is an amazing story from 1925 to the present. There is history and adventure and the excitement of a race. Each student will be following one of the 2015 Iditarod racers. They will research that racer's biography and complete a racer profile sheet. This is an amazing race..."The Last Great Race" as it is known, and hopefully with the history and the tracking everyone will find something to enjoy.

As if the above isn't enough...there is still more going on. 3D printing, making molds, solar observation and more are on the list of items to do over the next weeks.

Have a great weekend!! :-)

Spelling Unit #21

Pretest Monday...Test on Friday...study

1. study

2. summer

3. such

4. true

5. due

6. who

7. move

8. truck

9. uncle

10. Sunday

11. glue

12. clue

13. lose

14. movie

15. dumped

16. clumsy

17. gruesome

18. whoever