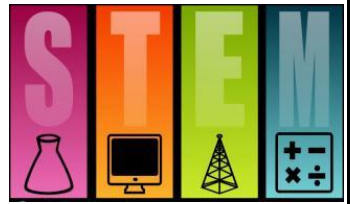


Brantley Classroom News

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Third Grade: News / Curriculum

Date: 2-14-14

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: 23 (See Below)

Vocabulary Lesson # 5-4 (Review): area, combine, composition, firm, ground, mixture, sand, surface, water, wetland

Math: (Whole Class Instruction)

Unit 7 Division Meanings

07-00 Division Meanings Introduction

07-01 Number Sense: Division as Sharing

07-02 Number Sense: Understanding Remainders

07-03 Number Sense: Division as Repeated Subtraction

07-04 Number Sense: Writing Division Stories

07-05 Problem Solving: Use Objects and Draw a Picture

Science

- E-Studies

Social Studies:

- TFK
- Iditarod: begin biography cards and planning for tracking

Upcoming Events:

February 17th – We ARE IN SCHOOL!!! Please be here!!

February 18th – Charlotte's Web field trip
(sack lunch day)

March 14th – End of 3rd grading period

BBQ Groundhog (that's for 6 more weeks...and the SNOW!!)

<http://forum.texasbbqclub.com/showthread.php?t=29065>

Hello Parents,

Well...I have a dream (to paraphrase)...a dream that someday, some week we will have an uninterrupted week of school! Delays, evacuations, and snow...UUGGHH!! I just want to have my class for 5 days in a row without disruption. The amount of work we've gotten done in the shattered weeks has been impressive...just think what we'd accomplish in a whole week!

Next week we will hopefully have the last of the Totem Pole pens printed and in the hands of your children. If you haven't been quite aware of this project...let me try to explain. As we head into our Iditarod experience we are looking toward the Northwest and history that bring to minds some amazing imagery. The totem poles of the pacific northwest conjure images of great carvings that tower into the sky. The stories associated with these totem poles are those of near legend. This is the inspiration for the totem pole pen project. Each student used a very basic template (a 40mm base) and built up using TinkerCAD. They used geometric shapes to create a totem of sorts. From this they had to employ engineering principles of foundation and the constant concern of hanging edges. Using CAD each student worked in a 3d rendering to create a pen that didn't exceed 125mm (approximately) and was "balanced"...at least was relatively center balanced. I cannot say enough how impressed I was at how deftly so many of this class' students managed themselves creating their rendering. Then, using the 3d printers we printed each pen and put ink cartridges in them. Hence...totem pole pens.

Next week we get into Iditarod more seriously. Research and writing will be a consistent theme for a while. We will finish our wood sled crafts and get into the spirit of the race. There should be mostly class work in webquests and study on the subject matter, but there if there is need work may come home to complete. Watch for this and please help.

Next week we also continue work (if we can make it without interruption) with our PVC pedal car. This should be another great example of engineering, gearing, ratios, design and fun with construction. Basically it's oversized tinker toys!

Have a Great Weekend and we will see you Monday...hopefully!!

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Spelling List #23

Spelling List	Pretest Monday... FRIDAY TEST!!!
1. friend	10. died
2. night	11. eight
3. thought	12. tired
4. does	13. Friday
5. again	14. Saturday
6. said	15. pierced
7. people	16. horrible
8. believe	17. jewelry

9. tried	18. guard
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Name: _____ Date: _____

NG Vocabulary Sentences # 6-2 (REVIEW)

Definitions and Sentences ☺

express, feelings, heritage, music, perform,
popular, region, rhythm, style, vary