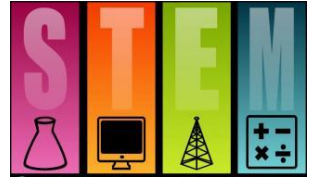


Brantley3rd Grade Classroom News

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Third Grade: News / Curriculum

Date: 04-19-2013

Reading: The Science Fair

Focus Skills: Words with -able, -ible, -less, and -ous

Spelling Unit: #28 – see below

Vocabulary Lesson #28: humor, abroad, sprinkled, expand, erupt, thorough, deliberation, grainy, preparation, gimmick

Math:

Topic #10 Solid shapes

Topic #11

Science / Social Studies:

- Time Life for Kids: Monday HW Quiz
- Science Studies Weekly: study guide in class/HW
- Potential Energy racers (Lego – Gutter Grand Prix) racing Monday!!!
- Robot programming – LEGO NXT robotics

Upcoming Events:

April 2013

- April 25th Happy Hollow 3rd grade visit
- April 26th Nano Days field trip

Dear Parents,

It's not been the best weather week...but we have completed so much work!!! The students have built and spec-ed their Lego Racers. This project has been a wonderful focus on data recording and measurement. We have talked about Potential Energy and gravity and they have a basic working knowledge. Monday will be the race...and we will see if the primary hypothesis is true...the car with the greatest PEg will win it all. I hope to have every student wrapping up their specification sheets and have those published soon. There are some interesting, creative, and even bizarre creations with wheels on them.

Next week we will be focusing on YAAC (Young Authors at Cumberland). During the week of May 6th-10th we will be sharing books created by each student. The project is in honor of one of our former teachers (Kathy Aughter). Each student will write on a science or social studies subject of their choice. They will type their content into Microsoft PowerPoint. We will print the work and possibly bind it into a simple book. Then, each student will share with another student (we are paired with 1st grade).

The basic expectations (set by me) for this project are:

- Minimum 12 pages (which includes Cover, Title and Bibliography)
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- Bibliography (simple format...just recording where the information was taken from...not APA format)
- Clear text...facts...just the facts
- ONLY one picture per page (not too big)

**If you are looking for a good example of the style, layout and content...have your child show you the Spiders Story on ThinkCentral...

This research project will count as a part of either science or social studies...depending on the topic your child chooses. I will guide the work throughout next week...and periodically send assigned writing or research home for work. We *should* be able to work through this project in a timely manner and get it done with ample time to edit and print.

Have a great weekend!!

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Spelling List # 28

Spelling List

PRETEST on Monday,
Friday Test...study study study!!!

1. early

2. heard

3. were

4. third

5. fur

6. work

7. word

8. search

9. Earth

10. dirt

11. nurse

12. turkey

13. Thursday

14. world

15. rehearsal

16. twirl

17. furniture

18. worst

Name: _____ Date: _____

Vocabulary Sentences #28

- Write ONE sentence for each vocabulary word...you may need to look these words up to find their meaning...

*humor, abroad, sprinkled, expand, erupt, thorough,
deliberation, grainy, preparation, gimmick*