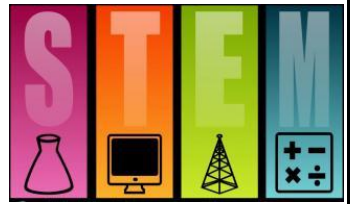


Brantley Classroom News

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Third Grade: News / Curriculum

Date: 9-27-2013

Reading: "When the Wolves Returned" by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent

Focus Skills: words with diagraphs th, ng and commonly misspelled words, contractions and simple sentences

Spelling Unit: 7 (...see below)

Vocabulary Lesson # 2-2: competition, drought, ecosystem, food chain, level, nature, negative, positive, resources, river

Math:

Unit 1: Numeration Introduction, Hundreds, Number: Thousands, Greater Numbers, Ways to Name Numbers, Comparing Numbers, Ordering Numbers, Counting Money, Making Change, Problem Solving: Make an Organized List

Science / Social Studies:

- Profile of an Ecosystem
- Restoring Nature's Balance
- The Pack is Back
- Science: Forms of Energy

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 16th – 5 BOOK PROJECTS DUE!!
Oct. 25th and 28th – Fall break

Hello Parents,

This has been a very cool week!! We started off with great weather for more cannon launches. We have worked on timing and recording launch angles. This has led to some great number crunching with figuring out trajectory and velocity. This also brought us to a brand new record! We more than exceeded our 500 ft goal...we reached 739.?? Feet. This was an almost frightening shot. If you check out the web site (<http://mrbrantley.weebly.com/fma-experiments.html>) you can see our progress, the student hypothesis and our findings and the video recording from the perspective of the projectile. This was a last minute activity...that turned out AWESOME!!! You really need to check those video clips out...but hopefully they won't make you too dizzy.

We continue with science into our book with forms of energy. This will not be quite as exciting, but have no fear...there are more fun activities on the way!

I do have to remind parents and students that the due date for book projects for the first grading period is quickly approaching! This is 25pts of each student's reading grade. I have been encouraging students to read many of the reading series picture books that we have each week, but few have followed up with this so far. I sincerely hope that the next couple weeks mark a significant turnaround for the number of project completed.

Next week should be a great week as we start into October. Our reading series continues to offer good reading possibilities and a chance to read a fun easy book for book projects. We will work through a slightly more academic and serious week focused on wrapping up math topics, getting some science grades in the books, and hopefully book projects (*are you sensing a reoccurring theme??*).

Have a great safe weekend. If you are enjoying either WL homecoming or Purdue homecoming...have a safe awesome time!! Get some rest and don't forget to come back on **Monday!!!**

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Spelling List #7

Spelling List

Study for Monday Pretest...
Post-test on Friday!!

1. smell

2. then

3. together

4. getting

5. head

6. ready

7. instead

8. fresh

9. spelling

10. else

11. breakfast

12. dead

13. feather

14. bread

15. arrest

16. pretend

17. heavier

18. jealous

