



March 29, 2015

Ms. Hahn's Classroom Newsletter

Math

Before break we worked on decomposing rectangles. Students used their knowledge of rectangles to find the area of L shapes and other shapes.

Next we will work on measurement of liquids. Our focus will be on the following Common Core standard: [CCSS.Math.Content.3.MD.A.2](#) Measure and estimate liquid volumes and masses of objects using standard units of grams (g), kilograms (kg), and liters (l).¹ Add, subtract, multiply, or divide to solve one-step word problems involving masses or volumes that are given in the same units, e.g., by using drawings (such as a beaker with a measurement scale) to represent the problem.

Writing

Before break the students learned about similes and metaphors. Students learned to identify them, explain the meaning of them, and practice writing them. We also worked on writing a letter in the correct formation and including enough details. Next week we will begin Narrative writing.

Reading

Before break the students began reading [Little House on the Prairie](#). The students will be learning vocabulary words, answering questions, learning different literary elements, and writing about the book. Your child will be required to finish a reading assignment before coming to reading group. There will be time given in class to complete the assignment. However, some students may need to complete the assignment for homework. Please check the website for the current assignments.

Social Studies and Science

Before the break the students learned a little more about the types of rocks and how they are formed. Our rock unit has finished and we will now focus more on social studies.

Next week the students will learn more about how Illinois became a state. We will learn a little about the Revolutionary War. Next year we will learn even more about the 13 colonies and the Revolutionary War.

High Frequency Words

Most students have words written in their assignment notebooks. These words are the high frequency words your child missed on a pre-assessment. The students will be quizzed on these words on Monday. Then they will get new words to study in their assignment notebooks.

Word Work

The students will get new words next week. Sometimes students will repeat a list for more practice. This is very common in 3rd and 4th grade. Please remind your child to study and sort the words every night.

Ms. Hahn's Planned Absences

I have professional development on April 1st. Mrs. Steinbeck is the substitute.

I have Jury duty the week of April 6th. I may be absent during this week. Mrs. Steinbeck will be the substitute.

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Upcoming Events

March 30 – School resumes

April 1- Early Release, Mrs. Steinbeck the substitute

April 6-10- Possible Ms. Hahn absent due to Jury Duty

April 7- Green Challenge Assembly

April 15- Early Release

Classroom Wish List

1. Boxes of Tissues
2. 24 Folders with prongs (any color)
3. Child scissors

PARCC Update

The students are very happy to be done with PARCC tests. Makeup tests will be next week.

There are end of the year PARCC tests. I will send more information about these tests when it closer.

Snack and Lunch

Mrs. Steinbeck and I have had many students telling us they are still hungry after lunch. These students have eaten everything in their lunches. Some students have eaten everything in their lunches during snack and have nothing left at lunch time. Please consider discussing with your child what is a snack and what is for lunch in their containers.



Earth Week T-Shirts

On the left is the design for the 2015 Earth Week t-shirt. Earth week t-shirts are due on April 6th. You can find the order form [HERE](#).