

# Friday Newsletter

October 4, 2019

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## What we did this week:

- The class learned about different ways to make their readers want to be in their story and how to get readers to wonder what will happen next. We talked about naming what the characters in the books exactly see, feel, and hear. We also talked about giving clues that something will happen, use actions and images to show what a character is hoping, use repetition, and to stretch out the story so the big thing doesn't happen right away.
- RazKids information went home this week. If you did not receive it, please let me know! We will be starting RazKids in the classroom as a Daily 5 choice (Listen to Reading) next week. RazKids can also be done at home. Students focus on listen to reading, reading the texts themselves, and quizzes when they choose Listen to Reading during Daily 5.
- Students continue to work on Place Value during Math. On Friday we took a checkpoint to check for Place Value understanding. The students seem to be enjoying this unit so far!
- As part of our Social Studies Unit, we took a field trip to Learn Charter School this past Wednesday. Students were very eager to go and learn about another school community. Did you know that Learn Charter 6 has 30% of their families in the military? I didn't! Students were able to break off into smaller groups to visit 4 different classrooms. Ask your student what kinds of similarities and differences Prairie Crossing and Learn Charter have! We have also been observing our mealworms to see what stages are happening and how they are changing. On Monday each student planted Brassica seeds. We got to observe the plants later in the week - most of them have sprouted already! We

will continue to learn about communities and observe our mealworms and Brassica plants.

## Notes:

- To reduce the amount of students leaving the classroom throughout the day, please make sure your student brings a water bottle to school.
  - If you plan on volunteering at all at PCCS, please fill out a Volunteer Form and the Mandated Reporter Training that goes with it. The Mandated Reporter Training can be done in the office if need be. It takes about 30-45 minutes.
  - The class code for Scholastic is - W92DG. If the books you order are going to be a gift, please let me know so I can put them aside so your student does not see them. I will submit the orders on October 15th.
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## Upcoming Dates:

- Sunday, October 6th - PCCS Fall Fest
  - Thursday, October 10th - Early Release (1:00 p.m.)
  - Friday, October 11th - No School
  - Monday, October 14th - No School
  - Friday, October 18th - Family Campfire Program (RSVP required)
  - Wednesday, October 23rd - Early Release (1:00 p.m.)
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