

News from Mrs. Barnett's Classroom

October 4, 2019



Weekly Highlights

Daily 5- This week we introduced Word Work where students work on writing their sight words. They will work on sight words for a week using different word work activities. These activities will help the students commit their sight words to memory. We have introduced all 5 components of Daily 5 and will continue to work on more reading strategies and read with small groups on a daily basis.

Work on Writing- Students worked on writing their stories bit by bit. We broke down their stories into small parts and focused in on emotions and thoughts.

Social Studies- We had a lot of fun on our field trip to LEARN Charter school. Students worked with Learn Charter School students in their classrooms. We took a tour of the school. PCCS students took notes on how the Learn Charter School is like our school and how it is different. We created a venn diagram to show our similarities and our differences.

Science- We continue to observe our mealworms and Brassica plants. The students were amazed at how quickly our plants have sprouted and grown. Students look closely at them and make observations and record them in their Theme notebooks. Our mealworms have been busy growing as well, molting many times. On Friday students observed that some of the larva have changed into the pupa stage.

E.E.- This week we harvested carrots with Ms. Naomi and sent to our solo spots. The students looked for signs of fall while at their solo spots.

Math Highlights

This week we finished up Unit 2 Module 1 and moved into Module 2. Fact Families were a big focus for us this week. The kids made double flap cards with dots, pictures and numbers to help them understand fact families. These lessons focused on applying the commutative property of addition to add, solving subtraction problems by finding an unknown addend and using relationships between addition and subtraction to add and subtract within 10. We continued to review and use the addition strategies that we learned last week.

Math Vocabulary- add, column, equal, row, sum or total, fact family, minus, subtraction, addition, double

Math Homework- up to pg 22

Important Dates

- **Sunday, Oct 6th- Fall Fest @ PCCS 12-4**
- **Thursday, Oct 10th- Early Release @ 1pm**
- **Thursday, Oct 10th- Costume Day** Students earned a special day and voted for Costume Day. Your child may come to school in their costume.
- **Friday, Oct 11th- No School** Teacher Inservice Day
- **Monday, Oct 14th- No School** Columbus Day/Indigenous People Day
- **Friday, Oct 18th- Green Team Family Campfire @ 5:30** for stories, songs and s'mores

Important Information and Friendly Reminders

- **Exciting News!!!** On Monday we will be welcoming student teacher, Mr. Vinnie Licciardello, to our class for the next 8 weeks. He comes to us from Western Governors University. The students will call him Mr. L.
- **Costume Day-** The kids have earned a special day by getting their chainlinks all the way back up to the clip. They have chosen Costume Day. Your child may wear their costume throughout the day as long as they are not too distracted by wearing it.
- **Scholastic Code- PFRL8** Please use this code when ordering your books online. I will be submitting the order at the end of this month and another order on Oct 15th.
- **Peanut Policy Reminder-** If sending your child to school with peanut or nuts for lunch, please remind them to follow the peanut procedures in class for everyone's safety.