

# News from Mrs. Barnett's Classroom

## November 22, 2019



### Weekly Highlights

**Writing-** We started our new writing unit, Nonfiction Chapter Books. We can't wait to see what the kids are going to write about! Students worked with a partner to ask questions about what they are writing about in order to continue to add details to their writing. We looked at pictures in nonfiction books and incorporated labels, drawings and diagrams in our own books.

**Daily 5-** Students worked on Seesaw to create another Thankful Turkey and they worked on a book page for Mr. L. We will give it to him on his last day, Dec 6th. We started to dig deeper into nonfiction books and look at text features to help us learn more and to incorporate into our own writing. Students continue to work on their handwriting and forming their letters correctly. We are focusing primarily on lowercase letters.

**Social Studies-**We finished our social studies timeline on Grayslake. Students chose 5 dates that they felt were important and created a timeline in their theme journal.

**Book Buddies-**We met with our book buddies on Monday and made Thankful Turkeys and filled out "How to Cook a Thanksgiving Turkey". They are very funny!

### Math Highlights

This week we started off with our Unit 3 assessment. The kids did a great job on it! I noticed that we need to work more on story problems especially subtraction story problems. They are coming along in their addition math facts to 20 but still need to work on their subtraction facts. This week we worked with commutative and associative properties of addition to add. We focused on the equal sign and that it indicates equivalence and worked on determining whether addition equations are true. Later in the week we compared quantities, used equality symbols and then expressed the difference between pairs of quantities by writing subtraction equations.

**Math Vocabulary-** add, addition, equal, equation, sum or total, strategies, problem solving, difference, greater than, less than, subtraction

**Math Homework-** up to pg 50

### Important Dates

- Monday, Nov 25th- Early Release @ 1pm AND Parent/ Teacher Conferences
- Tuesday, Nov 26th- Early Release @ 1pm AND Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Wednesday- Friday, Nov 27-28- Thanksgiving Break
- Wednesday, Dec 4th- Early Release @ 1pm
- Friday, Dec 6th- Pizza Friday
- Sat, Dec 7th- Winter Marketplace/ Artisan Fair 9am-3pm in the gym

### Important Information and Friendly Reminders

- Parent/Teacher conferences are for parents and teachers only. Please send me a list of questions or concerns that you would like to address prior to our meeting so that I can be prepared and we can discuss during our meeting.