

Room 12

Friday Newsletter

January 17, 2020


What we did this week:

- In Writing this week students focused on making an introduction to their teaching books. They learned that an introduction can start with a question, an action, a little story that pulls the reader in, or a big idea about the topic. Students also reviewed that sometimes you need to put yourself in the reader's shoes in order to make edits and make their writing even stronger.
- We worked together as a class in Math on counting craft sticks and unifix cubes to see if we had 1,000 of each. Students made predictions before counting each time and worked with their table groups on making groups of 10s and 100s so the counting is easier. We found out that we had 1,105 craft sticks in one box and 978 unifix cubes. I challenged the students to see how many unifix cubes we were missing since they came in 1,000 when the cubes first came to school. On Thursday we took a three-digit number checkpoint as well as a coin pre-test.
- We continued our Economics Unit in Social Studies. The class brainstormed ideas on what we should do with the beans we harvested partway through the year. We continued to discuss spending and saving money.
- This week we did AimsWeb assessing. On Tuesday students were assessed on their Reading skills while on Friday students were assessed on their Math skills.

Notes:

- We are once again the winners of the 7 minute class run! Thank you to all the parents who came to help support our class. Way to go everyone!!
 - The class filled their marble jar yet again! We will have a Show-and-Tell reward day sometime next week (NOT Tuesday - more details to come).
 - Our class is in need of **2 shoeboxes** and **2 cardboard egg cartons**. If you are able to send one of these, please let me know. Thank you in advance!
 - Please discuss with your student how important it is to be safe during recess. Throwing snow, ice, and rocks are **not allowed** anywhere on school grounds.
 - Students should have a **personal water bottle** at school every day to reduce the amount of in-and-out activity in the classroom.
 - If your student is **absent or leaving early**, please send an email to Ms. Jensen and me so we are aware.
 - 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. The order deadline will be **Friday, January 31st**.
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Upcoming Dates:

- Monday, January 20th - NO SCHOOL
 - Tuesday, January 21st - Kids Heart Challenge Assembly **(WEAR RED!!)**
 - Wednesday, January 22nd - Farm to Table
 - Thursday, January 23rd - NWEA Testing
 - Friday, January 24th - NWEA Testing
 - Monday, January 27th - School Choice/Peace Assembly
 - Mon. Jan. 27th - Fri. Jan. 31st - School Choice Week
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