



Week of 2/3

Words of the Week

switch, take,
leader

Important Dates:

2/5- Early Release
(McNally at Professional
Development)
2/7- Pizza Friday
2/14 PBIS Celebration
(10:40-11:10)
2/17- NO SCHOOL
(President's day)

Reading:

After seeing the production of *The Little Mermaid*, students analyzed character traits and the difference between character and physical traits. Students also learned what a protagonist and antagonist is, and they filled out a plot structure map. Students are continuing this work this week as we study plot structure further and students must identify the exposition, rising action(s), climax, falling action(s), resolution, and a story's antagonist and protagonist in a variety of texts. We will also be reading about different figures who made an impact for Black History Month.

Writing:

Last week students practiced producing and identifying adverbs. Our author is visiting this week and students are working on their drafting process. This week we are also introducing students to how to properly add dialogue to their stories in the correct format.

SCI/SS:

This week we are completing our electricity unit. Students will continue to analyze, draw, and build electric circuits and discover what makes a bulb become brighter. We will also be doing a lesson with Mrs. Naomi about solar energy.

Math

This week in math we are finishing Unit 4. The assessment will be at the end of the week. Students specifically are practicing how to order fractions on a number line, and using this ability to notice equivalent fractions. We are also practicing word problems with our CUBES strategy. This strategy helps students analyze word problems by Circling the numbers and units, Underlining the question, Boxing the math action words, Evaluating what steps to take AND eliminating unnecessary information, and Solving/Showing work. This strategy helps students break down the problem and analyze exactly what to do in multi-step problems. Continue to check your student's assignment notebook for the Unit 4 test day. They will be bringing home a study guide.