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Classroom Wish List: Box Tops

Thanksgiving Project

I am in need of parent volunteers to help with our Thanksgiving Day project from 9:00—11:25. Please consider donating your time. Thank you! Don't forget to send in an apple that day!

Mrs. Hayes' Classroom Connection

Here's What's Been Going On! Balanced Literacy Program

Our classroom has a balanced literacy program, with several components. Students will be involved, daily, with reading and writing workshop, as well as spelling and word study. Secondly, students will also study grammar. Aside from this, we will be focusing on mastery of our handwriting skills.

Students will be reading books, solely at their independent level, while participating in whole class and small group mini-lessons.

We continued working on comprehension strategies, specifically being able to visualize what we are reading in our minds. We have also been working on improving our reading stamina. Aside from this, we have been working on the components of retellings, including the heart of the story/lesson learned.

Word Study

Students will participate in a variety of activities, such as sorting words to understand phonemic patterns. Students will bring home a new list of words to study every other week. The list will be based on his/her

This week we continued our character study unit, which entails being able to put ourselves in the characters shoes and empathize with the role they take on in the book.

This week we continued learning characteristics of a personal essay. Persuasive writing, is a form of writing in which the writer uses words to convince the reader that the writer's opinion is correct in regards to an issue such as why someone should play soccer or compete in gymnastics.

instructional spelling stage.

Homework was passed out today. The test will be on Friday, November 11. Homework will be due that day, as well.

Special Schedule

Monday: Spanish and Technology

Wednesday: Art

Thursday: Library

Friday: Gym

Upcoming Events

11/3/16 Third Grade Bake Sale

11/9/16 Popcorn/Spirit Day

\$0.25 Popcorn

11/15/16 PAC Meeting

8:30 a.m.

11/16/16 PTC Meeting

8:30 a.m.

11/17/16 Bake Sale

Thanksgiving Project 9:00 a.m.

11/21/16-11/27/16 No School

Thanksgiving Break



Math

This week students continued learning about graphing, specifically a bar graph, double bar graph, pictograph and line plot, as well as their characteristics.

The unit two test will be on Monday, November 7. Please complete the unit two review guide and turn it in that day, as well.

Please continue to help your child practice their multiplication cards on a nightly basis. It is crucial that students know these facts fluently.

Homework will be sent home frequently. The homework is a direct reflection of what was taught that day in class. Typically, there are only a few problems for homework.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Your constant support and dedication is truly appreciated.

Social Studies

This week students have been learning about Michigan's natural resources. We have learned about water, fertile soil, forests and minerals as students explore how humans interact with the environment.

Every day is another day,
to make your dreams come true.