

Weekly Update

Mrs. Kohlhepp's 3rd Grade Class

This Week in 3rd Grade

We've been working super hard this week, as we come near the end of our second ELA units! We also finished reading [Charlotte's Web](#) (and had a good cry together when reading the last two chapters!) We discussed the themes of friendship and loyalty found throughout the story. We also talked about Martin Luther King Jr. Day and shared ideas about acts of service we could do on Monday. Here's what else we've been up to...

Reading

This week, we worked on synthesizing information from two nonfiction texts on the same topic by taking notes on a T-chart and fitting the ideas together. We also used a 3 column chart to compare and contrast two topics and then write about their similarities and differences. We compared texts with videos as well. Next week, we will review and practice before taking the end of unit post-assessment.

Writing

This week, students finished their informational chapter books and published their work! Today, students used independent reading time to read their classmates' writing. We learned so much from each other! They also gave feedback to the author of two different books, including something they enjoyed and a suggestion they had. Any feedback your child received will come home in their folder today. Next week, we will do the informational writing post-assessment.

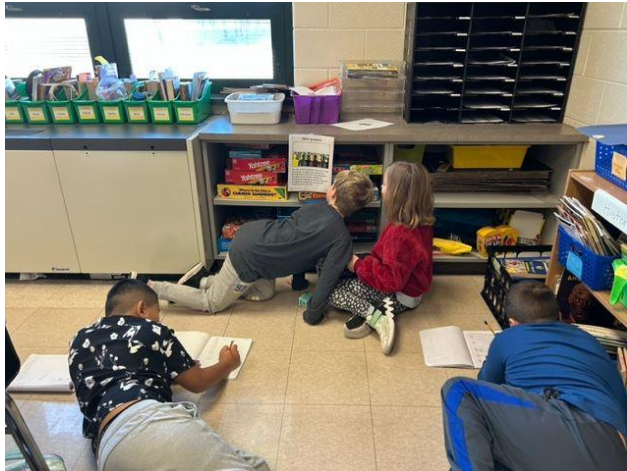
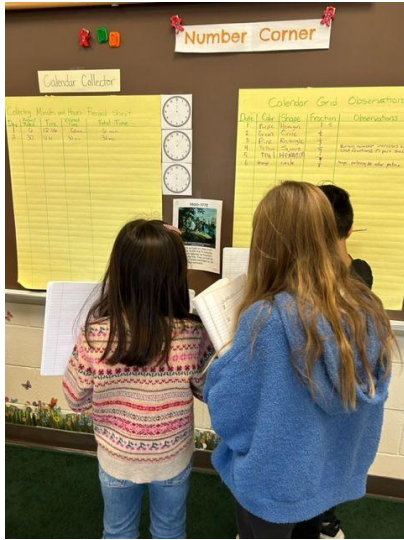
Math

In math this week, we finished Topic 5 and students took the test, which will come home today. Please review it with your child, sign it, and return it next week. We are now revisiting addition and subtraction, which was covered earlier in the year when we did our Bridges pilot. We'll be doing a few lessons from Topics 8 & 9 (which are in the volume 2 book). Once we finish those lessons and take the test, we'll go back to the volume 1 book to pick up with Topic 6.

Social Studies

In Social Studies, we explored different waves of immigration throughout our nation's history. Students learned about 4 different waves: Early settlers (1600-1775), Mid 1800s, 1880-1920 (Ellis Island), and 1965-present. We discussed different causes and impacts of each of these waves, including how many immigrant groups were discriminated against when they came to America. Students also researched to learn about some famous present-day immigrants, including athletes, artists, and scientists!

Photos from This Week:



Important Dates

- Jan. 16: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (NO SCHOOL)
- Jan. 18-19: Winter MAP Testing - Reading & Math
- Jan. 24: Early Dismissal for Students (Staff PD Day)