

Weekly Update

Mrs. Kohlhepp's 3rd Grade Class

This Week in 3rd Grade

We had another busy, exciting week! On Tuesday, we had a special guest presenter, author Timothy Rohrer. He is a young adult with autism who wrote a book and gives presentations to school groups. We had some great discussions this week about ways to be more inclusive of people with disabilities. We also had an evacuation drill this week, and began our first set of STEM lessons with Mrs. Staikos! Here's what else we've been up to...

Reading

This week, we discussed author's craft, meaning thinking about why authors choose to include certain parts of their stories. We thought about why authors choose their title, and why authors choose to end the story in a certain way. Next week, we will review the strategies covered in this unit, and then students will take the end of unit post assessment.

Writing

This week, students revised and edited their drafts. We discussed proofreading to make sure your writing sounds clear and understandable, and change parts to make it clearer. We also worked on finding and fixing errors in spelling, capitalization, and punctuation. The kids did a great job of utilizing spell check and dictionaries to find the correct spelling of certain words! Finally, we are working on publishing our final writing pieces in Wixie to get ready for an author share next week.

Math

In math, we continued to explore equal groups and arrays. We also made cube trains to clearly see multiples of different groups of numbers. Then we turned these into measuring strips and number lines to help us learn multiplication facts. Students saw that doubling is a helpful strategy to figure out larger multiplication facts, such as doubling 4×4 to get 8×4 !

Science / S.S.

This week, we reviewed world maps, labeling the 7 continents and 5 oceans. Quizzes went home this week. Please continue to practice and review with your child if they had difficulty identifying the continents and oceans on the quiz. We also started our first science unit - Force and Motion. We began by practicing some things scientists do, such as ask questions, make observations, and do scientific sketching. Then we watched the phenomenon of a soccer ball being kicked, and discussed the forces being applied to make that ball move. Next week, we will do some measuring along with push and pull forces.

Photos from This Week:



Important Dates

- Oct. 31st: Halloween Parade @ 10:00, Party to follow after
- Nov. 8th: NO SCHOOL
- Nov. 10-11: Teachers' Convention NO SCHOOL