

Mrs. Matthews' Class

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September 5th- Labor Day- NO School September 12th- Picture Day September 22nd and 27th Student-Led Conferences



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Writing:

This week was our last week of learning all about what writer's workshop will look like and sound like in our classroom. We learned how to manage and communicate that students need to confer with me and how to "keep writing" even if they have requested a conference. We also learned about the steps in the writing process and how to communicate with the teacher on which step you are currently writing. Finally, we learned how to read and use a student-friendly rubric to evaluate mentor text and our own writing! After that, we took our first timed writing prompt as a pre-assessment for our first official writing unit, personal narratives!

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Thank you for initialing your child's Leadership Level Log every night this week! If they shared a yellow or red paw with you, they should be able to tell you which habit they are focusing on to level up! We worked on applying the habits, seek first to understand and synergize! We learning about the different kinds of poor listening (selective listening, selfish listening, spacing out and pretend listening). Ask your kiddo about the habits they have learned! We are still working toward how to be a good citizen of our school, town, state and then nation!

Reading: In reading this week, we continued working on how to buzz about books by being an active listener. We practiced how to ask meaningful questions to our partners about their books and retelling the reading with a five-finger summary. We also learned how to "take note" while we read and what kinds of things to "note". We practiced using post-it notes to record our thinking and marking places in our book that we might want to buzz about later!

Reading Benchmark testing continued this week as well as finishing up NWEA testing. We do have a handful of students who are still testing!

3rd Grade Math: We finished up unit one this week with frames and arrows and counting and comparing money values. We spent the rest of the week reviewing for out unit one test! Most of the skills on the assessment will reappear throughout the chapters that follow.

Many students already passed their Quarter 1 fact fluency test! Keep on working on math facts at home!





