

CAMPFIRE CHRONICLE

Mrs. Matthews' Class

November 13, 2016

Important Dates:

November 19- Mother/Son Activity
February 21st 2nd Grade Music Program
November 23,24,25- No School- Thanksgiving Vacation
November 24th- The Michael Treinen Foundation Turkey Trot @ 9:00 a.m.

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Writing:

This week, we shared our group designed experiments with each other and identified what good scientist writers do! Then, we look at mentor text and compared it to our own experiment designs. Finally, we learned that scientists become experts in their fields! We learned that we can ask an expert, watch a video or show, and read books to develop new schema. We dug deep into a force and motion book and recorded our 'new understandings' to practice for when we develop our own pieces after winter break! This was also a natural time to work on our passion projects, as they are NF too! I conferred with students to help them research and organize their new schema/notes!

Reading: In reading this week, we learned that NF text is a gift and FULL of surprises! We identified places in text that surprised us with new schema and we recorded and shared it. Also, we considered vocabulary that may occur based on the topic of a NF book in advance and then looked for those words as we read. We applied last week's context clues small group lesson skills in this week's whole group lesson.

In small group this week, we continued using the context clues strategies we learned last week in our own text. We identified and shared how we used each strategy in our own reading in small group!

AROUND THE CAMPFIRE

PBL: In PBL this week, prepared our classroom for hosting the elections. The kids felt so proud to design the polls, and host the school 2016 Presidential Election. After hosting, we counted the votes and Hillary Clinton was PRE's 2016 predicted President. After the close of the actual election, we colored in the electoral college map and talked about why Trump won based on this map. The kids also learned about why it is important to vote! On Friday, we enjoyed a beautiful Veteran's Day program and wrote thank you notes to two specific Veterans!

3rd Grade Math: In math this week, we practiced applying the multiplication tricks doing story problems and learned how multiplication and division are related. We learned all about square products, played multiplication and division games and even learned how to divide with remainders. Finally, we reviewed measurement and perimeter and area!

