

CAMPFIRE CHRONICLE

Mrs. Matthews' Class

November 18, 2016

Important Dates:

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

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Writing:

This week in writing we worked on drafting paragraphs for our passion project presentations. We examined what a paragraph looks like, beginning with an introductory sentence and ending with a concluding sentence. We began drafting paragraphs and determined what subtopics that we needed to continue researching. Then, we choose from 3 print and 3 digital media that we will use to share our learning at the end of December! Finally, students had research time where they identified specific things missing in their research and recorded them! Students are also welcome to research at home if they want to!

Reading: In reading this week, we learned that NF text has vocabulary that we can consider using our schema BEFORE we read! We experimented with a book about tigers and the kids were so surprised that they found many of the 'tiger specific' words that they identified in the text! Then students practiced with reading partners and shared with the class. Next, we identified words in a NF book with partners that were NEW to us and tried to use context clues to define them. We also identified what context clue strategy we used from last week's small group.

In small group this week, we learned how to use the RACE (restate, answer, cite, extent) strategy when answering questions. We read about Economics and the holidays and practiced our strategy with our reading groups.

AROUND THE CAMPFIRE

PBL: In PBL this week we learned what random acts of kindness are. We also learned a little about what it means to pay it forward! Next, we brainstormed specific random acts of kindness that we could preform in our community. The students shared their ideas and are getting excited about our new PBL! The driving question was introduced!
Watch out for a 'survey' coming home about people from our community whom you know are in need!

3rd Grade Math: In math this week, we learned how to play a new game, multiplication baseball! We also reviewed using arrays to solve multiplication problems. We practiced using in/out boxes to solve multiplication and division problems. After that, we conducted a coin flipping experiment and analyzed the probability of getting a heads versus tails. At the end of the week, we solved review problems for our unit test and earned letters that unscrambled a special holiday message!