



# Bear News

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Mrs. Burkett's and Mrs. Wobser's Weekly Newsletter

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March 22-26, 2010

## Here's what we are learning:

We reviewed the long i, o, e vowel sounds. We hear those sounds in words like sleep, fly, and soap.

We reviewed story elements. The characters are who or what the story is about. The plot is what happens in the story.

We worked on context clues. That is using the information in sentences and in pictures to determine the meaning of an unknown word.

We reviewed how to make inferences. That is when we use clues in the story and/or the pictures to figure out things the author wants us to know.

We learned how to make story predictions.

We reviewed how to compare and contrast information. When we compare we look for ways things are the same. When we contrast, we look for ways things are different. We have practiced filling out a Venn Diagram when we are comparing and contrasting.

We learned about drawing conclusions.

We are telling time to the hour and half hour. We are learning about quarter after and quarter to the hour.

We are learning about pennies, nickels, dimes and **quarters**. We need to be able to identify the coin, state its value and count a group of coins consisting of pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and a combination of quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies.

We practiced exchanging pennies for a nickel, nickels for a dime and pennies and a nickel for a dime.

We are showing a set amount of money two different ways with groups of coins.

We continue to review odd and even numbers. We know cheers to help us remember. **"0, 2, 4, 6 and 8. Being even is just great! 1, 3, 5, 7, 9. Being odd is just fine."**

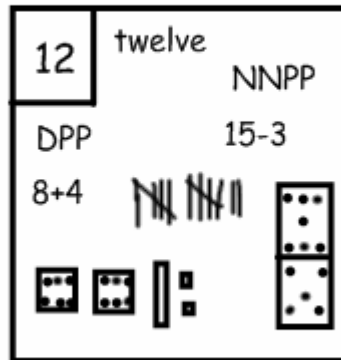
We are practicing how to measure with non-standard and standard units.

We continue to use base ten blocks to learn more about place value with tens and ones.

We reviewed the greater than (>) and the less than (<) sign.

We are learning about "function machines". They give us a rule that we need to follow. This is a fun way to practice our addition and subtraction facts.

We are learning how to name equivalent names for a number. For example, we can name 12 in the following ways:



We are learning about the dental health in science.

In social studies we are learning about American symbols.

Reported by: The Students

### **Special Events this week were:**

1. We celebrated Skylar's and Leighann's birthdays on Wednesday. They are in Mrs. Wobser's homeroom.
2. We celebrated Lindsey's birthday on Friday. She is in Mrs. Burkett's homeroom.

### **Special Events coming next week are:**

1. Mrs. Burkett's homeroom will have their guidance lesson with Mrs. Wiley on Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.
2. Mrs. Wobser's homeroom will have their guidance lesson with Mrs. Wiley on Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>.
3. Our Easter Celebration will take place on Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>.
4. Spring Break ☺☺ - April 1 – April 5, 2010.