



# Bear News

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

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November 16 - 24, 2009

## Here's what we are learning:

We learned about more blend sounds.

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

We learned how to read and gather information from a diagram.

We learned that we put an apostrophe (') at the end of a name or thing to show that the person or thing owns something.

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

In grammar, we learned that verbs are words that show action.

We are using a hundreds chart to count forwards and backwards.

We practiced counting to 100 by 1s & 2s and to 200 by 5s & 10s.

We practiced counting backwards from 20-0.

We are telling time to the hour. We are learning about half past the hour. We learned that on a digital clock, half past is written ":30."

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

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

We reviewed patterns.

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 learned how to use a number line to help us with addition and subtraction.

We are learning about living and non-living in science.

In social studies we are learning about voting.

Reported by: The Students

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

1. We celebrated Mickey Mouse's birthday on Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>.
2. We did not have school on Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup> because of Parent-Teacher Conferences.
3. We had our Polar Pride Assembly on Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>.
4. We do not have school from Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> through November 29<sup>th</sup> due to the Thanksgiving Break.

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

1. The "real" fact test for the +3/-3 will take place on Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. The grade on this test will go into Progress Book.
2. We will celebrate Mikey's birthday on Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. He is in Mrs. Burkett's homeroom.
3. Our first spelling sentence dictation test will take place on Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.
4. We will celebrate Cody's birthday on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. His special day is the 6<sup>th</sup>. He is in Mrs. Burkett's homeroom.
5. We will celebrate Gage's birthday on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. His special day is the 6<sup>th</sup>. He is in Mrs. Wobser's homeroom.

### **Thank You:**

We would like to thank all the parents for taking time out of your busy schedules to attend the parent conferences. We really appreciated it. We enjoyed talking with you and hope you found the conferences to be very useful.

