



Bear News

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

2009 - 10

November 30 – December 4, 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 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 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 about present tense verbs.

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 past and present.

Reported by: The Students

Special Events this week were:

1. We celebrated Mikey's birthday on Wednesday. He is in Mrs. Burkett's homeroom.

Special Events coming next week are:

1. We will celebrate Cody's birthday on Monday, December 7th. His special day is the 6th. He is in Mrs. Burkett's homeroom.
2. We will celebrate Gage's birthday on Monday, December 7th. His special day is the 6th. He is in Mrs. Wobser's homeroom.
3. The Secret Santa Shop is next week. Students shop during their library times.
4. Interims will go home to students having an average of 79% or lower in a subject area on Friday, December 11th.
5. An "Evening with Santa and Friends" will take place on Friday, December 11th. It will be in the Margareta Gym and goes from 6:30 – 8:00.