

Ms. Young's Classroom Newsletter

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READING

We have been focusing on thinking analytically about our reading! We are honing in on story elements to pay attention to, finding text evidence to support ideas, and goal setting to grow as readers this year. Our first round of book clubs will be starting next week, so we have been preparing for those as well!

WRITING

Students wrapped up their brainstorming and decided on a topic for their narrative piece! We had time to draft - getting the foundation of the story down. Going forward, students will take the focus of our mini-lesson and try to incorporate different narrative components into their writing!



MATH

We are halfway through Module 1! We used the Mid-Module as practice & a check in for our learning. Students have learned about exponents, comparing decimals, rounding, writing numbers in different forms (standard, word, & expanded), and adding/subtracting decimals.

Module 1 Parent Tip Sheet can be found [here](#)



SCIENCE & SOCIAL STUDIES

Social Studies - First People, Encounter, & Colonization

We have been learning about:

- The challenges of Jamestown, including its geography & climate
- Looking at the causes & effects of conflict between colonists and the first people
- The impact of tobacco on Jamestown's economic survival
- Identifying which trades caused a higher need for labor

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

In 2nd Step, we have learned about Being Assertive & Predicting Feelings.

Questions to ask your student:

- *Why is being assertive a better option than being aggressive or passive? When is a time you've needed to be assertive?*
- *Why is it important to try to predict or consider how someone might feel in a given situation?*



October

- 10/12 - Art Lesson (12:45)
- 10/16-20 - Book Fair
- 10/23 - No School (Teacher Work Day)
- 10/27 - Trunk or Treat
- 10/31 - Classroom Fall Harvest Parties (More Info to Come)
- 10/31 - Conference Scheduling Closes

Full classroom calendar available on our classroom website

UPCOMING EVENTS & CONTACT INFORMATION

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