Ms. Young's Classroom Newsletter

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READING

Students are nearing the end of their book clubs! Today we had Meeting #8 of 10. We watched two videos of exemplar book club meetings to further improve our own. In class, we have been focusing in on theme. This includes comparing & contrasting theme between two texts and also considering different characters' connection to a theme.

WRITING

We are working on revising & strengthening our narrative pieces! We have been focusing on:

- Stretching out the tension
- Adding figurative language
- Strategically using commas
- Using transitional words & phrases

We just have conventions & final revisions and then we will be wrapping up our narratives!





MATH

We are now working through Module 2. Students have been learning strategies for multiplying numbers with powers of 10, using rounding to estimate products, writing expressions in word & number form, and mental math strategies for multiplying!

Module 2 Parent Tip Sheet can be found <u>here</u>



SCIENCE & SOCIAL STUDIES

<u>Social Studies - First People, Encounter, &</u> <u>Colonization</u>

Unit 1 Projects coming home today with graded feedback!

<u>Election Day</u>

Last week, we participated in a mock election! To do so, we learned about voter eligibility, voter registration, ballots, candidate statements, for & against arguments, etc.

Science - Modeling Matter

We are now starting our new unit - students are taking on the role of food scientists! We will be investigating what happens when two substances are mixed together.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

In 2nd Step, we learned about accepting differences, the importance of not judging someone before getting to know them, & finding things you have in common. <u>Questions to ask your student:</u>

• What are some differences between you and your friends? What are some similarities? How can people who are different still be friends?

November/December

11/19 - Spirt Wear Shop Closes

11/22 - 11/24 - Thanksgiving Break (No School)

11/27 - Yearbook Cover Entries Due

12/1 - Caregiver Survey Closes

<u>Full classroom calendar available on our</u> <u>classroom website</u>

Motivation Empathy Self-Esteen Pecision Making Commitment Interpersonal Awareness

UPCOMING EVENTS & CONTACT INFORMATION

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