

MRS. CATHERWOOD'S CASTLE NEWS!

Covey Habit

Synergize

October 28, 2011

Important Dates & Upcoming Events:

Field Trip	10-27
Fall Celebration	10-28
Conferences	10-31
Class Spelling Bee	11-10
No School	11-11
Leadership Day	11-17

In The Classroom:

Hello!

Thank you to all who have volunteered their time and supplies. I don't know what I'd do without such a great group!!! I know our continued and combined efforts will help our students succeed this year!

Math Workshop:

We learned a lot from our pre/post math tests! We know that we've grown in our math knowledge. We'll be using centimeters to measure line segments and explore the perimeter of shapes. We'll be looking at the attributes of different shapes to compare and contrast

Reader's Workshop:

When we retell characters we include their names, their relationships with other characters, their actions, their feelings, and the Covey habits they show. When we retell the setting we describe where it happened and when it happened. We add lots of details!

Writer's Workshop:

In writer's workshop, we have been learning how to conference with a partner as well as an adult. We have discussed ways to give constructive feedback and encouraging compliments to other writers. We have also learned that it is OK to make changes and add more to our writing! Additionally, we have started to discuss small moment stories. As a writer's, we want the reader to be able to picture the story in their mind, so we are trying to stretch out one moment in our day instead of listing the whole day/whole trip.

Science/ S.S.:

We have been working in the computer lab this week. We have learned how to use Photostory to create videos. In order to create their own sound video, students had to learn how to search for, how to save, and how to import an image. Students then practiced typing their script along with their video. Before you knew it, our kiddos were recording and mixing music on their own video! Come by and see our creations with your smart phone! Download the app "i-nigma" to scan our QR codes!



Word Study:

Please continue to practice at home how to not only spell the word correctly, but also how to sort them correctly. Also, practice words not on the list but that follow one of the same sorts/patterns. Our quiz will be on Nov. 4th!

Crowning Behavior!

Hip! Hip! Hooray!

Congratulations to Russell and Elijah! Russell always does nice neat work and never rushes! Elijah is

a star writer! He is focusing on making his writing more descriptive each day! Way to go boys!

Class Wishlist:

- Flip Video Camera
- AA Batteries
- Children's Thesaurus
- Brain Pop Jr. Subscription
- Class Pet - Frog!
- Headphones with 2 plugs - speaker and audio for recording
- Fraction Games/Items

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