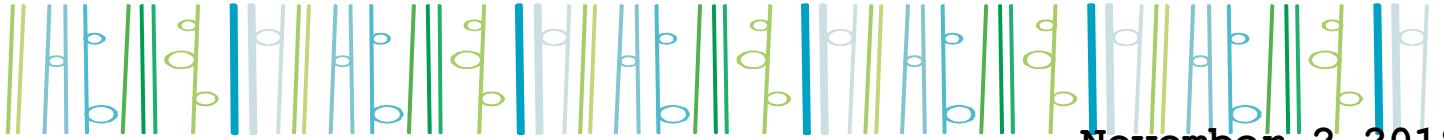


1st Grade Safari News



November 2, 2018

What's been happening in our classroom this week?

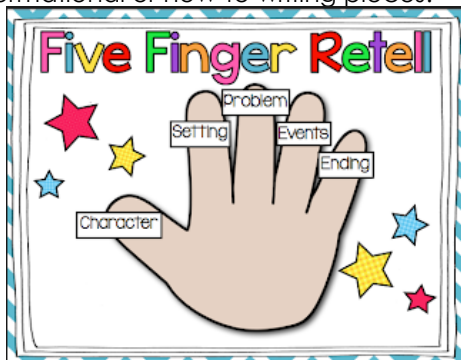
Week 13

In math, we are working on place value and understanding that the two digits of a two-digit number represent a group of tens and ones. For example, 10 is a group of ten ones called a ten and 13 is a group of ten and 3 ones.

In Reading, we've been using the key details in a literary (fiction) text to help us retell the story. We practiced identifying the major key details by using the Beginning (characters & setting), Middle (problem) and Ending (solution) to help us retell a story. This prevents focusing on every single little detail in a story. We also discussed and identified the central message or lesson of the story.

In Science, we learned about the pumpkin life cycle and that a pumpkin is a living thing since it grows and changes. We know that pumpkins naturally decompose. We learned that if the pumpkin plant doesn't get enough sunlight, air, and water that it won't grow either. If we pick the yellow flower, we know that the pattern of the pumpkin life cycle is broken and it won't grow into a pumpkin anymore.

In Writing, we are learning to indent and start our writing with a topic sentence and use temporal words (First, Next, Then, Last) to add our supporting details. We are practicing how to proofread/edit our work by color coding. We circle capitals with green and end punctuation with red. Most students have a goal of writing 4 complete sentences on their own this quarter. This quarter, we are focusing on writing informational or how-to writing pieces.



Character Counts Pillar: Responsibility

**Field trip to Tolmachoff Farms is Tuesday, 11/6!
Please have a sack lunch with a disposable water bottle with names written on both!**

**Please make sure your child is reading TO you every night for at least 15 minutes!
Document it on the Reading Log.**



Dates to Remember:

Nov. 6~Tolmachoff Farms field trip (all day)

Nov. 8~Double Dollar for Duds

Nov. 12~NO SCHOOL (Veteran's Day)

Nov. 20~Thanksgiving Play (More info. to come)

Nov. 21~Thanksgiving Feast (More info. to come); Early release @ 11:30AM



Homework is given out on Fridays and is due the following Friday! Students will receive 5 Dojo points for turning in completed HW on time.



A Look Ahead to Next Week:

Reading: Retell stories with key details; main idea
Trick Words: would, walk, car, down, hurt, hear, hold, learn, their

CHALLENGE Words: Squanto, veteran
Phonics: Suffixes (-s); glued sounds (-all, -am, -an)

Writing: Commas; informative writing

Math: Place value
Science/Social Studies:

Native Americans & Pilgrims

Citizenship: self-control; kindness