

Dear Parents,

This week has been a very busy week for our class. This week we celebrated 100 days of school. I cannot believe how much of the school year has passed. I am so proud of all of my students.

In language arts and reading we worked on the long o vowel sound spelled with /oo/, /ue/, /ou/ and /ew/. Some words were mood, glue, group, and blue. Our class story this week was "If You Give A Pig A Pancake" This story is by the same author and illustrator as "If You Give A Mouse A Cookie." The story was about a pig who entered a home and began demanding the little girl for many things. The girl would listen to the crazy demands the pig was giving her and fulfilled them. This brought up a talk about what is real and what is make-believe from this story. The children really enjoyed reading the story. We also went over vocabulary words from the story like maple syrup, probably, remind, and music. This week we are continuing with nouns, except we will be learning about pronouns. A pronoun is a proper noun for people or things. For example instead of using a name for a boy we use he or instead of using a name for a girl we use she. Please be on the look out for bonus spelling words. Parents, I will continue sending a book report home on Fridays to be done at home over the weekend. This will help students with practicing reading and reading comprehension. I have decided that from now on the book reports will be a grade and your child will be marked down if they did not complete it on time. Next week we begin theme 8. It will be all about our earth.

In Math we did our Chapter 8 test. We also reviewed numbers 1-100. The students filled in a 100 number chart, made a necklace out of 100 beads, practiced counting backwards from the chart, and reviewed how to count by 10s. Next week we will begin Chapter 9.

In science, our new topic is Matter. The students learned that everything in the universe is made of matter. They also learned that matter is anything that takes up space and has mass or weight. For our experiment, the students had to use three of their senses; touching, hearing, and seeing to guess what kind of matter was in three different bags. Next week we will continue with this topic.

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." – Aesop

Have a wonderful weekend!!

Ms. Sammy