

Subject: Weekly Newsletter

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From: Stacy Harker

Dear Parents,

We had a wonderful week learning about the government and voting. We voted for our class president and Aubrey Robinson received the most votes and is our class president. The students are learning so much by actually doing hands on activities and having the opportunity to experience the process. We will have a class store for our POL and will soon vote on workers for our store. More information will come soon.

Report cards will go home on Wednesday, January 30. PLEASE sign the report card and return it to school in your child's folder. Last quarter I had difficulty getting some of them returned.

In math we will begin studying 2 and 3 dimensional shapes and vertices and faces. Please work with your child on addition math facts. We will be studying our 4's again this week. If you could buy some flash cards and practice at home for 10 minutes each night after reading it would help your child learn the facts we are studying.

I will be doing running records to test your child in reading fluency and comprehension. I am seeing growth in most everyone and need students to read aloud to someone each night. This helps with fluency. It is easy to tell those who are doing the reading each night because of the fluency. Thank you for all that you are doing to help your child.

We begin informational writing this week. We just took a writing test on opinion writing and everyone did so well! I am so proud of their progress.

I do need to ask you to talk to your child about doing their work during centers. On the report card I must grade how well your child reads and writes independently. I do this during center time when I am teaching small group reading. Here lately we have had a lot of talking and not finishing our work. Some of the grades went down this quarter on the report card because of all the talking and not finishing the reading and writing assignments. Please talk to your child about this.

I want to thank the parents who brought in extra snacks. If anyone could donate some more I would be so grateful. Any kind of cookies I know the students would enjoy.

Thank you for all you do. I couldn't do it without YOU!!

Kindest Regards,
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