

Groveton Elementary
School

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Ms. LaCasse's Newsnotes

WEEK IN REVIEW

THIS WEEK IN THE 5TH GRADE, STUDENTS WERE WORKING ON BUILDING THEIR CLASSROOM COMMUNITY, ESTABLISHING CLASSROOM SHARED AGREEMENTS, STARTING TO THINK ABOUT CLASSROOM CONSEQUENCES, AND BEGINNING TO UNDERSTAND THE NORMAL ROUTINE THAT OUR CLASS WILL HAVE. WE HAD MOST OF OUR SPECIALS THIS WEEK, AND EVEN THOUGH IT WAS ONLY A FOUR DAY WEEK, WE CERTAINLY WORKED HARD!

LANGUAGE ARTS

IN E.L.A. THIS WEEK, WE CONTINUED TO BUILD STAMINA FOR READING (AS OF THURSDAY, WE WERE AT 12 MINUTES OF STAMINA), LEARNED ABOUT CROSS-CHECKING AND BACK UP AND REREAD (STRATEGIES), TOOK OUR FIRST ELA COMMON FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT, AND STARTED TO CREAT COLLABORATIVE DISCUSSION NORMS. WE ARE WORKING ON UNDERSTANDING THE UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS, WHICH STUDENTS WILL LEARN MORE ABOUT NEXT WEEK.

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CELEBRATION STORY

This week, a student really stood out to me. She constantly helped around the classroom, holding the math bins so they would not fall down, participating, using a kind tone of voice, helping pick up chairs when it was not her job, etc. She did all of this without looking for recognition. This child simply warmed my heart each day, and I want her to know that her actions have not gone unnoticed.

MATH

In math this week, we started to learn about fractions! For many students, fractions are a new concept. We are learning how to decompose a whole (which was split into sixths) into a number bond, a number equation, and an equation using parentheses. We are going to learn about how multiplication can work with

fractions next week. Students also took the Math Common Formative Assessment for unit 1, we learned how to play with dice and cards using guided discovery, and we also learned where our math bins are.

SCIENCE/SOCIAL STUDIES

In Social studies this week, we really worked on building our shared agreements (be safe, whole body listening, be appropriate, be positive, work as a team), and we started to talk about classroom consequences. We are learning more about one another each day by playing games such as “Hands Up!” “Elves, Wizards, Giants,” participating in closing circle, and sharing each morning.

DATES AND REMINDERS

- Picture day forms are due on 9/13/16 if your student is getting a picture package
- Picture day is on 9/13/16
- Early Release Day is on 9/13/16—kids are dismissed at 12:30 pm