

Mrs. Nemo's & Mrs. Tarr's

Class News

January



1/17/14

Content Corner

Coming Up...

Reading:

Students will wrap up synthesizing. They will read text from a "mysterious" point-of-view and will figure out who or what is talking in the text by synthesizing the information.

Writing:

We're studying how to write compound sentences with coordinating conjunctions. We're using FANBOYS to help us remember the conjunctions.

Math:

In math next week we will focus on division facts and fact families. Students will use what they know about multiplication to help them with division story problems.

Science:

We have enjoyed our study on matter! Next week we will explore how matter changes from one state to another as energy is added and removed.

1/20: NO SCHOOL—Martin Luther King Day

1/21-2/3: MAP testing window

1/28: Roxaboxen (wear shirts)

Final "Souper" bowl donations

1/27: Report cards sent home

In the Spotlight

Nathan has shown so many improvements this year! His writing is taking off—using varying techniques he's been taught and he's making great strides in reading and math. He has an infectious laugh that can't help but put smiles on our faces! Nathan is more and more helpful as the year goes along. We are proud of you Nathan! Keep it up! ☺



Remember to order books through the book orders! This is a great way to stock up on appropriate leveled books for your child at a reasonable price. You can send in a check or order online. When you order online, it helps us add new books to our classroom library!



Ask Me About...



- Synthesizing-what it is and what it looks like when I read (Add new information with old information to form a new idea; thinking changes)
- Compound sentences (two independent clauses (sentences) joined together by a conjunction with a comma before the conjunction)
- Conjunctions and the three most common ones (and, or, and but)
- How atoms are arranged in a solid (close together)
- How atoms are arranged in a liquid (somewhat close together)
- How atoms are arranged in a gas (far apart)
- The three states of matter
- How to explain a way we get energy (coal, wind power, moving water, nuclear power, etc.)
- The Cossi "Exploring Energy" presentation
- How to multiply 6×7 by breaking the 6 into 1 and 5 so ...
 $(1 \times 7) + (5 \times 7) = 7 + 35 = 42$
- The Roxaboxen Souper Bowl

Websites/Literature

Geronimo Stilton Series (Lots of kids LOVE these! Levels N-S)

Authors:
Roald Dahl
Barbara O'Connor

