



Finch Newsletter 1-18-19



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Here are some reminders, information, and updates about our class.

- Thank you for your support as we get back into our reading packs, homework, and spelling routines.
- Thank you for sending your child to school ready for winter weather. If the temperature/wind chill is above 0, your child goes outside each day for 2 recess times.
- Please call the Office for transportation changes: 625-3101 (before 2:00 please).
- Attendance Line: Can call anytime: 625-5858
- No school Monday January 21st
- Half days of school January 24 and 25. Dismiss @11:10
- Please send box tops into school with your child..
- Next PTO Meeting February 11th at 3:00.
- Conferences are coming February 12 and 13. You will see more information come home next week.

Here is what we have been learning. Please ask your child to elaborate.

Reading: CAFE (C=comprehension; A=accuracy; F=fluency; E=expanding vocabulary).

C- We focused this week on rereading to understand. We also learned the difference between cause and effect.

A- We reviewed r-controlled words as well as the sight words (today, from, found, animal, away, building, Saturday, thought, toward, watch)

F- We are having independent reading time each day, working on our stamina as readers. We also have a buddy reading time. We also read fluency packs of poems. This week we focused on phrasing as reading.

E- We focused on the vocabulary words (active, earth, explode, island, local, properties, solid, and steep)

Spelling: Please continue to help/encourage your child to study the spelling patterns each week.

Writing:

Prompt writing: Students have written to a variety of prompts this week. This has been an opportunity for each writer to practice writing fluency, use grammar skills, and remember spacing/punctuation/capitalization.

Math: This week we are working on Chapter 4: Subtracting Two Digit Numbers

Social Studies: We are finishing Unit 6: How can a citizen affect a community? We have brainstormed some problems within our school community and are working on solutions to these problems.

Assessments: This week and last, your child has been assessed in the areas of reading, writing, and math. Report cards will be coming home before then end of January.

Mrs. Amy Finch

