



## Finch Newsletter 2-22-19

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

- Please call the Office for transportation changes: 625-3101 (before 2:00 please).
- Attendance Line: Can call anytime: 625-5858
- March 11-12: Our school Book Fair. Your child will bring home information soon.
- March 13: Half day of school. Dismissal at 11:10
- A big thank you to all families who sent items in for our Valentine party last week. I really appreciate all of the support for our class.

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 picking out the theme of a variety of stories. Students should be able to identify what the author is trying to teach us in stories.

A- We focused on spelling patterns (eer, ere, ear) as well as the sight words ( inside, behind, happened, house, young, again, neither, eyes, gone, stood)

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 pronunciation when reading.

E- We focused on the vocabulary words (ashamed, boast, dash, holler, plenty, similarities, victory, wisdom)

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

**Writing:**

We have been working on text response writing. We have been reading books and then students write the theme of the story and write clues that support the theme. We also are continuing to write realistic fiction stories.

**Math:** We have started the chapter on Measurement. Students have been using a variety of tools to measure items in our school (rules, yardsticks, tape measures).

**Science:** We are starting our first science unit: Matter

**Homework: Reminder:** Your child should be bringing home his/her homework folder every Wednesday. Homework is due on or before each Monday. Thanks!

**Home Reading Packs:** Thank you for supporting your child's reading development with the home reading packs. It is very encouraging to see all of the reading being done at home. Keep your child reading :)

Mrs. Amy Finch

