



Finch Newsletter 3-1-19

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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 is Reading Month: Please continue with daily reading at home. Many activities will take place at school this month to promote reading.
- March 12: Our school Book Fair. Your child will bring home information soon.
- March 13: Half day of school. Dismiss at 11:10
- March 25-March: No School: Spring Break

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

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

C- We focused this week on determining the theme of a story and supporting the theme with evidence from the text. A-We focused on spelling patterns (air, are, ear, ere) as well as the sight words (never, knew, talk, once, upon, sorry, touch, soon, bought, among). We are also working on decoding small words and bigger words as reading. 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 expression when reading. E- We focused on the vocabulary words (pale, outdoors, excite, drops)

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

<u>Writing</u>: We worked this week on writing in our Response Journal. Students will use this journal for written responses, to a variety of reading texts. Students practiced writing a response to a text, giving evidence to support his/her written response. Students wrote about the theme of a story, as well as writing a summary of a story.

<u>Math:</u> We are still working on Chapter 11: MEASUREMENT. Any practice your child can have measuring things around the house will be helpful.

Science: We have started our first science unit: Matter

WE MADE IT THROUGH A FULL WEEK!

Mrs. Amy Finch