



Corbitt Connection

February 8, 2010



NO SCHOOL

Monday, February 15th is President's Day. Enjoy your three day weekend!

Valentine's Day Reminder

Friday our class will exchange valentines. If your child is planning on sending in cards/candy please be sure to have something for everyone. Again, the students' names are:

Abigail	Amiri	Andrew	Angel
Asia	Audrey	Carolina	Jacob
Jaiden	Jay	Kylie	Larione
Samir	Trinity	Wesley	Xavian
Xavier	Zachary		

Field Trip

Next Tuesday is our field trip. Everyone was able to get their money in on time-YEA!!! After the long three-day weekend please don't forget to send your child to school with a lunch unless you already let me know that he/she would need one from the cafeteria.

"What Can I Do at Home?"

As you know Ms. Barton is completing her student-teaching assignment in our classroom this semester. As the time progresses Ms. Barton will begin taking over more and more of the daily responsibilities. She took the first week to observe the way that the classroom operates. By the second week she took over our morning calendar routines. By week three she took over Reader's Workshop. I have noticed that some of the students are not behaving as well for Ms. Barton as they do for me. (You may have also noticed in your child's planner.) This week's tip is to ask you to remind your child that it is his/her responsibility to do his/her best at school and this includes listening and following directions. Good behavior is essential to learning- without is nothing else can be done.

Writer's Workshop Update

We are really working now! Most of the students are finishing up the "report" part of the "gather . . . sort . . . report" standard. This week we will look at how we can include an introduction, a conclusion and some of the conventions we are learning about during Reader's Workshop to make our reports even better!

Reader's Workshop Update

This week we will continue to read a lot of nonfiction books and look at the conventions (features that make nonfiction books special). We have already learned about bold words, labeling, and comparisons.

MATH INVESTIGATION UPDATE

THIS WEEK WE WILL CONTINUE OUR *NUMBER GAMES AND STORY PROBLEMS* UNIT. WE WILL BE LOOKING AT MORE DIFFICULT "HOW MANY OF EACH?" STORY PROBLEMS. THESE ARE MORE DIFFICULT BECAUSE THERE MIGHT BE THREE THINGS (E.G. I HAVE 10 FRUITS SOME ARE APPLES, SOME ARE BANANAS, AND SOME ARE GRAPES) OR THE QUESTION MIGHT SPECIFY FOR MORE OF ONE PARTICULAR THING, (E.G. I HAVE 10 CRAYONS SOME ARE RED AND SOME ARE BLUE BUT I HAVE MORE RED CRAYONS.)

Skills Block

This week we will be focusing on long e in spelling. We will be reviewing counting phonemes and sorting words by similar phonemes and working more with alphabetical order.

Important Dates to Remember

February 11	Flag Raising @ 8:30 a.m.
February 12	Valentine's Day (at school)
February 15	No School
February 16	Field Trip-Bring a Lunch
February 17	Early Dismissal @ 1:45 p.m.