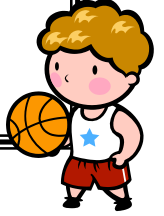




Extra! Extra! Read all about our WINNING TEAM!

Oct. 31st, 2008
Miss Zimmerman
Grade 3
Greenbriar



Reading: **Questions**

We did some interesting reading this week! We read about animals while using the strategy of questioning with a non-fiction text. First, the students and I read a great article about animal smarts. Next, they read an article about how bones in different animals have different purposes. We finished the week by reading about the opera we are seeing on Monday, "The Magic Flute" by Mozart. Next week, we will continue to use our questioning strategies to read about animals and camouflage.

Writing: **R.I.P.**

We are sick of the words nice, good, sad, happy, and others in our writing! So, this week, we put those words to rest while we learned how to use the thesaurus to find interesting, exciting words. Students had to write "meaty" sentences to go with their new word choices. They are challenged to use their new words during writer's workshop next week.

Math: **Multiplication Stories**

This week, we learned more about multiplication and multiples. The students and I integrated some literature into our studies with the books Each Orange Had Eight Slices and Caps for Sale! The week ended with the students singing along to Multiplication Rock songs about . . . multiplication! Next week, the students will be assessed on this unit and we will begin our next unit on place value.

Social Studies: **Elections are Coming**

Next Tuesday, the students will be receiving their blank United States map to track which states each candidate won. They can find this information from MSNBC, CNN, online or on the news. In addition, each student will be voting online Monday for who they would like to see become the next president.

Science: **Fish Dissection**

Wow! Each student in our class did a wonderful job during the fish dissection. They learned about the gills and scales of the fish and saw the heart, liver, kidney, stomach and more. It was a great experience! In our classroom, we learned about the five vertebrate groups and what makes each one unique. Next week, we will learn about animal adaptations and endangered species.



Schedule of Events

- *Monday 11/3 Opera Field Trip
Half day of school
- *Tuesday 11/4 Election Day
- *Tuesday 11/11 No School- Veterans Day


Grand Slam Coaching Assistants!

Next week . . .


Andrew and Kaitlyn

will be our outstanding
Coaching Assistants!





Notes from the Teacher:



And I thought last week was a busy week! This week, the students had a chance to view their black and white photographs modeled after Ansel Adams. Thanks again to Mrs. Abboud, Mrs. Fridman and Mrs. Erens for making this an exciting art adventure for our class. In addition, we had a visit from Mrs.

Fridman, who was our story reader. The students have been filling in a chart each time they read a book. Now that they have reached 100 books, Scholastic is donating books to children in need around the world on our behalf. I am very proud of our class! The week ended with our Halloween party, which was a blast. Have a great weekend!



Hit a Homerun with our Word of the Week!



This week, we worked with the word **EERIE**. It naturally lent itself to discussions about haunted houses and Halloween. Next week, we will be working with the word **HEED** (to obey or listen to). We will not only be learning the word, but practicing that skill, too!