



Gamper Chronicle

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Math- We began the week by reviewing our unit on dividing decimals by whole numbers and other decimals. Students took their Topic 6 test on Wednesday. They should be bringing home to you the summary page that shows their grade. If students wish to retake the test, they have one week to do so. Our next unit we moved on to covers adding and subtracting fractions.

Reading- Our story next week is *The Fabulous Perpetual Motion Machine*. It is a play about student inventors. We will be practicing the reading skills of sequencing and summarizing.

Grammar- Next week we will be reviewing the four types of sentences: Declarative, Imperative, Interrogative, and Exclamatory.

Writing- This week students read an article that discussed whether utilizing e-learning days was a better alternative than regular snow days. We discussed the article, made a pros and cons list, and students picked a stance on the issue. They started outlining and drafting a 5-paragraph essay defending their stance on the issue.

Spelling- Our list focuses on schwa sounds. This will be a tough test. The best way to prepare for this test is to practice, practice, practice. www.spellingcity.com/triton5

Social Studies- Students took their chapter 3 test this week which was over early explorers. I was very pleased with the test scores. I could definitely tell which students studied and took notes. They were rewarded with a very pleasant grade. We began our next chapter which covers "European Settlements" in the new world. Students will be learning about the original Spanish, French, and English colonies established in North America.

Science- This week we reviewed the unit on the Solar System in preparation for our quiz which was given on Wednesday. We will be taking the next week to participate in a STEM (Science Technology Engineering Math) activity. As part of our newly adopted science standards, students must know and understand the Engineering Design Process. We have built into the curriculum several activities throughout the year to help meet these standards. Students will be working in groups to build a space lander which will protect their "aliens" upon impact.

Unit 3.1 The Fabulous Perpetual Motion Machine

Schwas

CCSS Language 2.e.

1. jewel
2. kingdom
3. gasoline
4. factory
5. garage
6. tropical
7. pajamas
8. estimate
9. tomorrow
10. humidity
11. Chicago
12. bulletin
13. carnival
14. illustrate
15. elegant
16. census
17. terrific
18. celebrate
19. operate
20. celery

Challenge Words

1. rehearsal
2. salamander
3. prominent
4. significant
5. parakeet

Nightly Homework Alerts

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Note From the Teacher:

This week the new Book It calendar came home. Students must read 400 minutes within the month in order to qualify for the free pizza certificate. Encourage your child to read 20 minutes a day to accomplish this.

Scholastic book orders are due November 18. Christmas is right around the corner, and books make great gifts! Consider purchasing some books as Christmas presents. We can always arrange for a pick-up without your child knowing about it.

Tupperware books and order forms came home with your child on Monday. We are collecting orders through Friday, November 18. Our goal this year is to offer each student a free trip to Camp Amigo. Help us meet our goal and purchase some Christmas gifts at the same time! We've decided after this fundraiser, we will not be doing a spring fundraiser. This will be the last one for the year. Let's make it count!

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Upcoming Dates:

November 8: Grades 4 & 5 Music Program @ HS Auditorium @ 7 pm

November 17: Elementary Progress Reports

November 18: Muffins for Moms

November 23-25: Thanksgiving Break!

Star Camper of the Week



This week we learned that Conley likes to drive his go-cart and swim. His favorite subject is Science because of the experiments, and he wants to be a mechanical engineer in the future!