



teacher's notes

Book Report

The next book report is a mystery or adventure. It is due on Friday, December 7th. Please make sure you follow requirements on the Book Report Letter!

Winter Weather

It is getting colder! Please make sure your child comes to school prepared. We have outdoor recess unless it is raining or 10 degrees (with wind chill). Students must have pants and long sleeves to go outside if it is 40 degrees or colder. This will help students stay healthy throughout the winter. Thank you!

What's Happening in the Classroom?

November 30th

December is almost here! Where does the time go? My students helped me decorate my classroom for the holiday season. We have garland all over and a beautiful tree with ornaments hung all over. I have been blessed this year having such a wonderful group of kids.

December is a busy month for 5th grade. We have a few field trips this month. Please check those dates and try to schedule any appointments around them. There is a permission slip for one of them coming home tonight. Be sure to read the slips carefully, sign, and return them as soon as possible.

Dividing decimals has been a fun topic in math. Many students caught on quickly, as the process is the same as dividing whole numbers. We just need to be reminded every now and then to slide the decimal up into our quotient. The test will be on Wednesday or Thursday next week.

Weather has been changing and always keeps us on our toes here in Nebraska. We have been discovering what a meteorologist does and how they are able to predict the weather. This ties into the Earth's Atmosphere which we explored last week in science.

In writing we are working on our persuasive essays. The students all have a different topic. We took three days to research that topic to find evidence to support our opinions. This week we took the time to create a rough draft and revise it. Our final copies will be typed and will be taken as a larger grade for second quarter writing. I am impressed with their work so far!

Reading this week is all about fables and tricksters. This is a fun unit for the class as they get to play the roles in readers theaters scripts and discover the themes and morals of our stories.

Please remember, I am here if and when you need me!

Miss Skrdla ☺

class calendar

- Dec. 12 Rose Theatre Art Field Trip
- Dec. 14 PTO Movie Night
- Dec. 17 Middle School Quintets perform for 5th grade
- Dec. 18 ACE Choir Tour
- Dec. 19 Rose Theater comes to us
- Dec. 20 Winter Party
- Dec. 21 Winter Break!

Upcoming explorations

Reading

We will be reading "The Golden Mare, The Firebird and the Magic Ring".

Writing

Students will learn about transition sentences and implement them in their writing.

math

We will continue Topic 6 Division of Decimals and Test on Wednesday. Then, we will begin Topic 7.