



# tweets from the classroom



## teacher's notes

### Book Report

The next book report is a mystery or adventure. It is due on Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. 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?

December 7<sup>th</sup>

We had another successful week with a lot of learning! Students have been working so hard and taking their time on most assignments. During reading this week their task was to create a poster with a brief summarization of the story this week in sequential order. We discussed that summarizing is not retelling every detail, but picking out the most important events. The idea was to use events in the story that the story could not live without. They also had to incorporate their vocabulary terms for this week in the summary. I was impressed with the results!

In science, since we didn't have the appropriate weather for this investigation we came up with our own experiments that would prove to support or dispute our hypothesis to the focus question. What happens to earth's materials when they are exposed to sunlight? Every group had a different prediction, so we were able to share and discuss the components necessary to carry out a successful investigation. Maybe they will try these at home in the spring or summer! ;)

Please continue to watch for important dates! Students need a sack lunch on Wednesday for our field trip. Lunch will be over when we return, so students will eat a lunch from home in the classroom. Our lottery winner was Mrs. Hawley. She will be joining us on our field trip to see the musical Elf at the Rose Theater next week!

My class started a chain with the countdown to Christmas. Each link has an act of kindness on it that must be completed by one of my students to be ripped off. This comes pretty easy for most of my students. Spreading kindness can be contagious! Watch out! 😊

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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 "Blancaflor" and focusing on character development and analysis.

**Writing**  
Students will learn about adding meaning and details in their writing to show voice and better persuade their readers..

**math**  
We will practice multi-step word problems and introduce fractions to prepare for January!