



Our 2nd Grade Classroom News

The Week of December 7-11, 2020

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Our Week of Learning

Highlights from the Week

Math:

This week, the children worked on solving story problems that centered around presents and parcels. Later in the week, the children worked on creating their own story problems. On Monday, they will work on solving each other's problems.

Reading Workshop:

During reading time, the children started working on figuring out the main idea for several texts (what they were mostly about), and at least two key details that support the main idea. They combined the main text and text features to help form the main idea. We will be wrapping up our nonfiction unit on how text features help the reader understand the text even more next week.

Writing Workshop:

This week, the children continued to work on their informational writing. Many of the children finished writing about their American symbols and focused on their conclusion. As they worked on the conclusion, they were to make sure they reminded their readers what they taught them, offered them a next step (where to find more information about the topic), and ended with a final thought or feeling about the topic. Next week, they will revise, edit, and add their text features. Then they should be ready to write their final draft.

Other Highlights:

We have been reading books and watching videos about several of the formal symbols of America, but the children discovered that there are also several informal symbols. One informal symbol that we read about was the teddy bear. Ask your child what he/she remembers about the story. Ask your child to name some other informal symbols. (blue jeans, popcorn, baseball, ice cream, and Mickey Mouse)



This & That

- **Winter Break** begins Thursday, December 24th. School resumes remotely on Monday, January 4, 2021.
- **Material pick up on Monday, December 14th.** You will find a new folder with some math, reading, and writing papers for next week. You can pick up the folder between the hours of 8:30 and 2:30. When you come to pick up the folder, please drop off your child's Bridges Home Connection pp. 81 & 82 and their peanut butter & jelly sandwich how to writing. I would appreciate it, if you could return the papers in one of the previous take home folders. Thank you!
- **Special schedule:** Art with Mrs. Stallings

