



Room 9 Weekly Newsletter

Week of October 2-6, 2017

Reading

Reading lessons focused on:

- retelling a story using main story elements (characters, setting, problem, solution)
- retelling a book focused in events happening in the beginning, middle, end
- continuing to build STAMINA so we can read for even longer periods of time
- SEQUENCING the events of a story

Math

Our Math lessons focused on:

- reviewing NUMBER BONDS and PART-PART-WHOLE models for representing number sentences and strategies for figuring our missing parts
- using ten frames, number bonds, and part-part-whole models to demonstrate FACT FAMILIES
- introduction of the MAKE A TEN strategy for addition using TEN FRAMES
- fact fluency through group and partner games

Writing

Our writing lessons focused on:

- pre-writing a new story by talking it out across our fingers using first, next, then, after that, and finally
- writing a beginning with a HOOK
- magnifying a small moment with details (stretching out a story)
- writing powerful endings that stay with the reader
- editing and revising a piece to be published!

Spelling lessons focused on:

- DIGRAPHS with short vowel sounds
- making words with the letters in the mystery word THUMBS
- introduction of COMPOUND WORDS

Science / Social Studies

We have continued our study of PLANTS as we read lots of nonfiction books and learn lots of neat facts! We also did observational drawings of apples to be scientists who notice the smallest details. We went on a nature walk outside to discover what the plants do to prepare for the upcoming winter. We even tasted apple slices and used our senses to write SENSORY POEMS about these fruits! We also made applesauce on Friday! Boy, did our room smell delicious all day long!! ☺ We had a Fire Prevention assembly on Friday and wrote thank you letters to them.

Announcements

** Friday, October 20th is the FALL FESTIVAL. It will be held at Titusville from 5:30-7:30 p.m. It's a fun time so we hope you can make it!