



Burns' Bulletin



Language Arts

Our story this week was "Mr. Putter and Tabby Fly the Plane." During reader's workshop, we learned about determining importance in the books we are reading. Be sure to ask your child about the most important ideas or the main idea about the books they are reading at home!

Math

This week our class learned about collecting and graphing data, frames and arrows with two rules, making change by counting up and coin exchanges. Making change up to \$1.00 is a big skill in this unit. Please continue working with your child to practice this skill. The Unit 3 test will be next Friday. Watch for the study guide to come home on Tuesday.



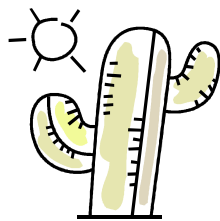
Social Studies

Our class learned about the fight for independence in America. We also learned about American Heritage and wrote about our favorite symbol of America.

A note came home this week to explain how you can help us plan for a Native-American feast. We will be baking bread and need lots of ingredients and volunteers! Please return the bottom of the orange paper to school by November 11th to share how you can help our class. Thank you!

Science

The children completed an experiment called The Cactus Connection this week to learn how cactus plants are adapted to live in the desert. Your child took the Chapter 3 test on Thursday.



Announcements

Second round of mystery reader sign-up is now underway! If you have another family member or special person who would like to be a mystery reader, please let me know and we can add them to our list of upcoming readers! Thank you!

Please remind your child to return his/her library book for **Monday** check out each week. Also, please encourage your child to return his/her homework on time each week. The Tuesday night homework slip is due each Wednesday, Speller's choice is due each Thursday and math is due each Friday. Thank you for your help with this routine.

The November High-Five slips and reading minutes forms came home on Monday. Be sure to keep those in a safe place to return to school at the end of the month. Please continue to encourage your child to read every night. Thank you!

Please feel free to e-mail me with any questions you may have. My e-mail is...

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Be sure to check our website often at:

<http://www.unit5.org/burnsa/>

Coming Next Week:

- ☺ Reading and writing about "The Candy Corn Contest"
- ☺ Tuesday night homework: Weekly Reader
- ☺ Spelling: words from the story
- ☺ Math lessons on coin exchanges and review of all lessons from this Unit.
- ☺ Unit 3 math test on Friday. Watch for the study guide to come home on Tuesday.
- ☺ Mad Minute: Harder addition fact quiz on 11/13
- ☺ Social Studies: Heroes, Holidays and Native-Americans
- ☺ First Trimester ends 11/13
- ☺ Report Cards come home 11/20

Parent Survey:

Please complete the survey, cut it out, and send it back to school on Monday. Thank you for your input!

Name: _____

This week the students learned how to use real coins to make change by counting up. For example, when buying an item for \$0.50 with a one dollar bill, the students will first lay out two quarters to show the cost of the item. Next, they lay out two more quarters in a new pile to show how to count on from \$0.50 to one dollar. The change is the amount in the second pile of coins. Try some of these problems with different amounts at home with your child using real coins and write about your experience below:
