



7-3's

STAR EXPRESS

December 2009

Reading by Jamie K.

During November in reading class, we finished up our science fiction unit by sharing our creations with the class. Now, we have started our Holocaust unit by creating butterflies. These butterflies represent children and will be used to illustrate how many people died and how few survived. We have been writing down inspirational quotes and learning about how hard it was to live through this terrible time. We have focused on children during World War II and have received our book to read for this unit.



Science by Amanda M.

In the month of November, in science class, we learned about classification. We reviewed the eight levels of classification and put things into groups. The classes have learned how to use dichotomous keys to classify organisms and even the states. Now, we have been putting fictional dragons from a fake planet into groups based on their characteristics. It's been fun to learn how things are alike and different. All of the kids have enjoyed this lesson.



Social Studies by Mike N.

We've learned so much in Social Studies this month. We created comic strips based on the Ancient Egyptian social pyramid. It was a lot of fun drawing and coloring them. Also, we created Facebook pages based on important people in history. We pretended to be the historical character and provided information about ourselves and our accomplishments. We even commented on other people's pages. This activity was so much fun and everybody in the class learned a lot about these important people.

Language Arts by Anthony D.

This month in language arts; we have written many essays, done many worksheets, and even participated in an activity or two. We took a break from writing persuasive essays and began writing narrative essays. We had a choice of either writing a letter to the mayor to object to a fast food restaurant being built in place of a park, writing a letter to our teacher for an extended due date on a major project, or inviting a celebrity to the school to speak. We also created a very funny story by having each student add their own sentence to the class narrative. We enhanced our narrative paragraphs by adding adjectives.

Math by Ryan B. and Renee S.

In the month of November in Pre- Algebra, we have been learning about integers. We have been adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing integers. We are also learning about plotting points and finding the area and perimeter of shapes on the grid. We have been doing a lot with integers, so we have been assigned a project. We must create a game having to do with integers. We can do this project with a friend. This activity is fun for the students, and it helps us understand integers better.

The month of November in Math7 was very exciting. We learned how to solve addition and subtraction equations. We also learned how to solve addition and subtraction equations with fractions and decimals. Another thing we learned is how to convert math sentences into problems. We were also assigned a big math project on integers. The month of November was lots of fun in math.



Good Luck to Ms. Sittinger!

Thanks for helping out in our Language Arts class this year!



UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS: DECEMBER

| monday | tuesday | wednesday | thursday | friday |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 30 ½ Day | 1 ½ Day | 2 ½ Day | 3 ½ Day | 4 Sweats Day |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Pep Rally | 11 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Hat Day |
| 21 | 22 | 23 ½ Day | 24 | 25 |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 |
| Winter Recess | | | | |