

DECEMBER 1, 2017

3rd Grade Learning



Congratulations to Cale for being the Green Team Star of the Week! Cale read us his favorite book Stuck by Oliver Jeffers. Cale loves reading, Minecraft, and Legos!

Reading

Students worked on identifying vocabulary in their reading and finding definitions in context and by using a dictionary.

Math

We worked on square products and the turn around rule in multiplication. Students learned two new strategies to multiply: adding a group and subtracting a group.

Writing/Spelling/Cursive

In writing, we on writing about the internal story ( I thought..., I felt..., I noticed...) and reviewed revising. We are working on words with short i, o, and u.. In cursive, we learned k and r.

Science

Students worked in groups to identify food chains. They also watched a video and played a video game to learn more about how food chains work. This week we will learn about food webs.

CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS:

No Friday letters were sent home this week. They will resume next week.

**Trimester 1 Report Cards**

Please return the report card envelope and yellow census sheet. The report card is yours to keep.

**Strategy: Adding a Group**

Example:  $3 \times 8 = ?$   
 Helper fact:  $2 \times 8 = 16$   
 I start with 2 groups of 8.  
 I add 1 group of 8 to find 3 groups of 8.  $16 + 8 = 24$ , so  $3 \times 8 = 24$ .

**Strategy: Subtracting a Group**

Example:  $9 \times 6 = ?$   
 Helper fact:  $10 \times 6 = 60$   
 I start with 10 groups of 6.  
 I subtract 1 group of 6 to find 9 groups of 6.  
 $60 - 6 = 54$ , so  $9 \times 6 = 54$ .