



Mrs. Vukmarkaj's News

Math

This week we started chapter 2 in math: Number Patterns. Chapter 2 will focus on the following skills: Skip count on a hundreds chart, skip count by 2s, 5s, and 10s, solving word problems by finding a pattern, repeated addition, repeated addition with arrays, even and odd numbers, and sums of equal numbers.

Science

In science, we have been learning how plants and animals depend on one another for survival. Last week, students learned why pollination is important and how animals can help pollinate flowers. If you have not taken a look at the videos of the students making hand pollinators, please go to my website!

This week and next, we will be focusing how animals specifically survive in the rainforest. How does the rainforest meet the needs of plants and animals?

Writing

This week, we read Shortcuts, by Donald Crews. The author wrote a story about something that happened to him as a child. We discussed how the story made them feel: scared, anxious, and worried. We also discussed that the story included "sound" words to describe the sound the train made. The students then make a list of things that have happened to them that might make a good story.

Once the students brainstormed ideas that might make a good story, they chose one idea and began to write a story.

After spending 2 days writing the story, they met with a partner to read what they had written so far. The partners asked each other the following questions in order to add more details to their story:

- Where might you add a word to describe what something looks like?
- Where might you add a word to describe what something sounds like?

After their discussion, they went back in their story to add these new details!

Reminders:

Assignment Notebook

Please remember to sign your child's assignment notebook each night.

Shoes

If your child does not know how to tie their shoes, please practice with them.

Water Bottle

If you would like, your child can bring a water bottle to school. This will help eliminate trips to the water fountain while keeping them hydrated.

Walk-a-thon
September 30th
Don't forget to add donations and random acts of kindness on RaiseCraze!