



Ms. Bove's Brainiacs

Academics:

Reading: During our EL block, the students are continuing to write up their pourquoi story. They have focused on the different aspects of a story, including a beginning that introduces the characters and the situation, a middle that explains the problem and how the characters react to it, and an ending that resolves the problem and explains the point of the story. We have also included lessons on how to “show” the reader what is happening instead of bluntly telling them. For example, “the boy frowned, tears rolling down his rosy cheeks” instead of “the boy was crying”. With the snow days, we will unfortunately not finish up our stories until after the break, but we will be sure to send home a final copy!

Math: In math, we are wrapping up our unit on multiplication and division. Next week, we will focus on learning how to multiply three factors and use the Order of Operations to solve multi-step problems. Due to the snow days, we pushed back the 6’s and 7’s until next week and will resume with the 8’s and 12’s in January. Please make sure your child reviews their flash cards over break so that they don’t lose what they have worked so hard to gain. From here on out, the students will be using multiplication in the majority of math units we will be learning. After break, we will learn how to find the area and perimeter of different shapes.

General Information:

- We are nearing the end of our Family History project. We hope you and your child enjoyed reminiscing about family traditions and learning about their ancestors. Please make sure your child is keeping up with all parts of the project so that the final week will be stress free.
- **The Project Presentations will take place on Friday, December 21st from 10:30—11:00. Parents are welcome to join us! We will continue the celebration with a winter craft from 11:00—11:45 and then a pizza lunch for the kids. Feel free to stay for as many of the activities as your schedule will allow! Also, there is no need to send your child with a lunch on Friday (unless they don’t want pizza, veggies and fruit).**

Upcoming Events:

- **Dec. 18/19:** 101 Dalmations—School Play @ 6:00
- **Dec. 20:** Holidays Around the World—3rd Grade Activity
- **Dec. 21:** Family History Project Presentations and Holiday Party
- **Dec. 21:** Early Release Day, Dismissal @ 1:15
- **Jan. 3:** Return to School

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Next Week's

Specials:

Monday: Health & Fitness
Tuesday: No Specials
Wednesday: Music
Thursday: Logic
Friday: No Specials

Classroom Wish List: