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Classroom News




What's going on in 1A? *Share this information with you child...*


Theme Studies/Writers Workshop:


Students have been discussing what qualities make a good friend and how can we be peacemakers in our classroom and our community. By using Martin Luther King Jr. as a role model, students will continue sharing what are the things that make a true friend. They will be interviewing each other and sharing with the principal and other teachers the information that they find about their special friend.

Math: Students are learning about geometry and the properties of each:

*Vertex (vertices): corners *Flat Surface:

Cones, (1 vertex and 1 flat surface) 

Cylinder, (0 vertices and 2 flat surface) 

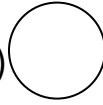
Rectangular prism, (8 vertices and 6 flat surface) 

Triangular prism, (8 vertices and 6 flat surface)

Cube, (8 vertices and 6 flat surface)

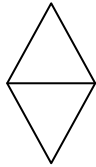


Sphere, (0 vertices and 0 flat surface)



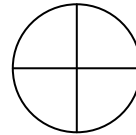
Students are also learning about fractions: figures that are divided into equal pieces, example:

$\frac{1}{2}$



$\frac{1}{3}$

$\frac{1}{4}$



ELA: The class is in full swing leaning about changes in unit 3. Students will continue discussing the unit theme:

- We are changing (growing, learning new things, getting new ideas),
- The world around us is changing (trees and plants, people and animals, weather and seasons, day and night,
- Some things do not change unless we change them (house, school, friends, objects)

Please practice these words at home, students will be tested on Friday:

Next week's **spelling** words: ask, asked, plan, planned, help, helped, jog, jogged, call, called, again, soon

Next week's **high frequency** words: afraid, few, read, again, how, soon

Next week's **amazing** words: gardener, nature, sprout, dim, shade, blossom, humongous