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Classroom News

Did you know that we are half way through the school year? Look at all the amazing work that your child is doing!

Math: This week the class finished their exploration of fractions and geometric shapes. They were tested on chapter 5 and scored _____% on their test.

Check out these pictures of our math center!



They learned that a fraction is part of an entire set of objects. Students worked in pairs to solve the fraction problems.

Thirds



$\frac{1}{3}$ is blue
 $\frac{1}{3}$ is yellow
 $\frac{1}{3}$ is green

Check out these websites for interactive math games on Fractions:

1. Frank and Fran's Fabulous Fractions

<http://www.beaconlearningcenter.com/WebLessons/FabulousFractions/default.htm>

2. Match the fractions to the model:

http://www.hbschool.com/activity/con_math/q03c21.html

3. I Want My Half:

<http://www.beaconlearningcenter.com/WebLessons/IWantMyHalf/default.htm>

Online Movie:

What is one-half?

http://ksnn.larc.nasa.gov/k2/m_oneHalf_v.html

Math Continues: Next week, students will start learning how to tell time to the half-hour and to the hour. See attachment for ideas on how to help your child at home.



Students name fractions for shapes and for groups of objects.



Students use computer games to see picture-models which helped them identify the fraction (part of a set).

ELA: We continue learning about changes in unit 3. Discuss these ideas with you child:

- How do we change?
- What things change around us?
- What things do not change?

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

Next week's **spelling** words: her, first, bird, girl, burn, were, shirt, fur, hurt, sir, visit, done

Next week's **high frequency** words: done, know, push, visit, wait

Next week's **amazing** words: cycle, develops, insect, yearly, rearrange, fragile, emerge, vessel

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**HAVE A SAFE AND FUN
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