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Classroom News



Meet the Luch Box Club Members: Alondra, Kejuan, Joshua, Takiel, Destiny, Ojiha, Hector, Samaj, Caleb, Saneko, Nia, and Ms. Flores. Students who maintain their  and have **GREAT DAYS** by following directions, working hard, and completing all of his/her work are invited to eat and share a special lunch with the teacher. This is part of the reward system that we have in the class. The students and teacher look forward to sharing a special treat and getting to know one another.



ELA: This week we completed our second unit in literacy. In this unit we read books about community. The class discussed how there are many kinds of communities. We discussed:

1. how people live, work, learn, and play together (in school, home, store, or office).
2. there are different groups of people (family, classmates, neighborhood).
3. people in communities help each other (family, classmates, and community helpers).

Next week the students will be tested on Unit 2 (literacy). Use these skills to help you review with your child at home:

- **Digraphs** (witch, shake, those, choke)
- **Why an author writes?** tell us a funny story and to give the reader information
- **Long vowels:** long a (made), long e (sweet), long i (pine), long o (broke) and long u (huge)
- **Past tense words:** walked, rested, added, and melted
- **Syllables** in words {how many vowels sounds you hear in the word): Fri--day (2 syllables) man (1 syllable), spe-ci-al (3 syllables)
- **Contractions:** a contraction is a short way of writing two words as one. An apostrophe (') takes the place of letters that are left out.
1. are + not: aren't, 2. I + am = I'm, 3. he + will= he'll,

Math: Next week the students will complete chapter 4 in math. They will be tested on the following concepts:

- Counting on from a number: 5, ____, ____ (answer: 5, 6, 7)
- Adding and subtracting numbers
- Adding doubles (2 + 2 = 4, 6 + 6 = 12)
- Understanding Vocabulary: More, Join, Altogether, In All = Adding Numbers,
Fewer, Less, Minus, Difference, Compare = Subtracting Number
- Fact Family:

$$3 + 5 = 8$$

$$5 + 3 = 8$$

$$8 - 3 = 5$$

$$8 - 5 = 3$$