



February 28, 2020

Dear Parents,

In Language Arts this week, our focus was on identifying an author's point of view based on story events of various fantasy selections. Students also practiced responding to literature questions in writing using the "RACES" (Restate, Answer, Cite Evidence, Explain Evidence, Summarize) format. Additionally, students were able to use text evidence to infer the literal meanings of several idioms located in the fantasies we read this week. In Writing, students continued writing their partner narratives. Likewise, students used a few of their spelling words in a story conclusion writing activity they completed independently in class this week. In Grammar, students practiced using subject and object pronouns correctly in writing.

In Math, we continued our Module 5 Fractions Unit this week. Students practiced decomposing fractions using tape diagrams and area models to represent equivalent fractions with smaller fractional units. Additionally, students practiced representing these fractions as sums of smaller unit fractions, products of a whole number and smaller unit fractions, and a sum of two products.

In Science, students continued researching and taking notes on their assigned animal to organize information for the 10 Things I Know books they will be creating in class. We also began exploring sense receptors this week.

In Social Studies, students took a Northeast States and Capitals Map quiz this week. Additionally, a study guide for the Chapter 5 quiz scheduled for next Wednesday, March 4th was sent home on Friday. Class notes on the Appalachian Mountains, Autumn in the Northeast, and Harvesting the Sea have also been printed and distributed to students. If anyone is missing any of these class notes, please let me know by Monday. I can send a second copy of these notes home with students on Monday if they are needed. I have also posted a Quizlet practice set on my Google Classroom page for students to use as they study and prepare for this upcoming Chapter 5 quiz. Even though students will be assigned this Quizlet practice for homework next Monday and Tuesday, students can practice on Quizlet as often as they would like.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at jalviano@cpsed.net.

Have a terrific weekend!
Mrs. Alviano

