**1V News**

 **January 2014**



 **Reading Workshop**

*We have been learning making connections*

*And building our reading stamina*

* *Readers increase their reading stamina by rereading old books*
* *Readers build reading stamina by reading just right books.*
* *Readers deeper their understanding of a text by making a personal connection to an event or character*
* *Readers can make text to text connections*

  **Writing Workshop**

We started our new unit on Non-fiction writing. We started to create teaching books-informational books.

* Writer’s get ready to teach about a topic by telling across their fingers to a partner.
* Partners and writer’s think/ask questions about our topic.
* Non-fiction writer’s, teach with pictures and words.
* Writer’s use twin sentences when writing a teaching book.
* Writer’s bravely spell challenging words.
* Mrs. Persson had a non-fiction book talk with us to inspire our own writing.

 **Math Workshop**

We started our new unit-geometry and fractions

* We discussed/identified plane (2D) shapes.
* We played games where we looked at plane shape attributes.
* We created new shapes from other 2 D shapes using pattern blocks.
* We discussed/identified 3 D shapes.
* We played games using math words: edges, vertex, faces.
* We reviewed addition/subtraction

**Word Work/Spelling/Handwriting**

* Long vowel work: magic e, vowel teams: ai
* REVIEW OLD SPELLING WORDS!!!!!
* Numeral writing practice 1-9

 **Special Events**

We have been working on our penguin webquest. We have been discussing adaptations and penguin adaptations. We will have a penguin presentation on Feb. 21st at 1:00 in the LMC.

We learned about Martin Luther King Jr. and we wrote positive and negative statements about him.

 We had another CARES assembly on assertion.

Please work on your 100th day project and WRITING part.

Valentine’s Day party is on Thursday February 13th. Please have your Valentine’s into school before this date.

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