

<u>Reading</u>: We will continue our study of characters this week focusing on different characters feelings. We will look at what causes character's feelings to change in a story, as well as look at the relationship between the main character and other characters in our stories. We will also practice changing our voices while reading to show a character's feelings.

<u>Writing</u>: This week in our opinion writing we will be learning how to write introductions that grab the readers' attention and strong conclusions for our pieces. The students have loved writing opinions the last few weeks! You can ask your writer about the different pieces they have written and which is their favorite so far!

<u>Math</u>: We are beginning our place value unit this week called "Organizing and Collecting"! The students will be working together to take inventory on some of the supplies we have in our classroom. We will be talking about organizing the collections into groups and discussing why it is helpful to make groups of 10. We will also be skip counting!

Check out the lower right-hand side of my website for some new math practice sites students can use to practice fluency!

<u>Science</u>: Each student has chosen the animal they will be researching during our Living Things unit. You can ask your child which animal he/she chose!

Word Work: New words: are, did, for, have, now

Word work focus: Magic (silent) "e"

Spelling City is updated with our February words as well as a February challenge list with Valentine's Day words!

Special Notes:

- Valentine's shoeboxes are due this Wednesday, February 3rd.
- Geometry projects are due this Friday, February 5th.
- There will be an early dismissal Thursday, February 12th for teacher professional development
- There is no school Friday, February 12th for teacher professional development and Monday, February 15th in observance of President's Day.
- If your child would like to bring in Valentine's Day cards, please have him/her bring one for each child in our class. Cards may be brought in between February 8th and February 11th.