



Blues News



Academic News

In reading this week we learned the importance of using the picture clues. This reading strategy helps the students understand the story better. Not only will the pictures aide in thinking about words that could appear in the text but they help the brain recall the sequence of the story and important details. We worked on retelling a story using words like first, next, and last. I am pleased with how hard the students are working; they have really embraced everything I have asked of them. For writing, the kids are learning how to use the strategy of visualizing as a way to spark their own ideas. We will keep working on getting the students to be brave in sharing their ideas with each other.

Take home reading book bags went home today. As explained at Curriculum Night, the books are intended to be more easy at first than hard. Two books will go home each night and the expectation is for your child to read both books and return them the following day. Please record each book from the bag your child reads on the white sheet labeled reading log and initial one box for each book read on the sticker chart. I will post a little "how-to" video on Seesaw. Let me know if you have any questions.

We spent a lot of time talking about how two "parts" together make the "whole." The students seem to be getting the strategy of counting on (yay!) and this week we applied it to helping us tell and solve story problems. We noticed how the addition sign indicates more of something and words like in all, total, and altogether imply adding the two parts.

If you are interested in volunteering in the classroom, please send me an email at rwalshire@antioch34.com with the days and times that work with your schedule and if you are willing to come once or twice a month. I also have some other at-home tasks I can send home with anyone who cannot come to the class but would still be interested in helping. Please let me know soon so I can get a calendar out. We will have a Halloween and a winter party. If you would like to be a room parent to coordinate either/both, I would be grateful. Just pop me a line so we can start coordinating our first event!

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Special Events:

- ☺ September 23: Petty Open House 5:00-8:00
- ☺ October 7: Scoopie Night at Culvers 5:00-8:00
- ☺ October 14: No School
- ☺ October 19: Petty Boo Bash
- ☺ October 24: Picture Retakes
- ☺ October 24: Grand-parent's Day (time to be decided soon)

Word Wall Words

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Spelling Words: log not top not hop on

Contact me anytime at

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Thought of the Week:

Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek.

~Barack Obama

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

September 6-Sophie
September 7-Landon