

Spook-tacular News From Room 205



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The Week Ahead

Reading: Main Idea/Deserts

We are reading *A Walk in the Desert* this week from the book. We will be comparing our land around Claremont to deserts and reviewing how to locate the main idea of the text.

Please continue to study spelling words. I send home a "key" to each group's sort on Mondays. Students not only have to spell the word correctly, but place it in the right column. Don't forget to utilize spellingcity.com/LambOES to practice!

Science: Changes and Matter

We will continue experimenting with matter and the differences between reversible and irreversible changes. Later on we will change liquid to solid and make Oobleck (a special mixture) and decide if it's a solid or a liquid!

Math: Unit 1 test and Measurement

We are taking our first math test on Wednesday. It will cover the 22 lessons on addition and subtract to 18, partner houses, comparing 2 numbers using $<$ and $>$, writing equations from story problems and math mountains! On Thursday we begin a mini-unit (4 days long) on measurement and perimeter.



Notes from Mrs. Lamb

- We will have some fun after our first math unit test this Wednesday. We will be participating in our first online project "OREO Day". It's not really a day-more like an hour! Teams of two will be challenged to build the tallest tower of "regular stuff" Oreos. We will record everyone's totals, find the average, and then compare our average to those of other classes all over the world! Look for our results on the webpage!

Trick or
Treat!

Wickedly Wonderful Words

Reading: Main idea, details, visualization, flow map

Math: partners, math mountain, equation, less than, greater than, equal to

Science: liquid, solid, gas, molecule, chemical/physical change



Hauntingly Exciting Events

10-3-Book Fair all week

10-3-Happy Birthday Carson

10-7-Fall Festival 6-8 pm \$3 admission

10/9- Happy Birthday Riley

10/10-No School

10/26-Field Trip to Winston (return @315)



Strategy of the Week



Main Idea vs. Topic

Often students confuse the main idea with the topic of text (especially in nonfiction).

The MAIN IDEA is a sentence, usually from the text, that tells what the section of story is about. The TOPIC is usually one word. For example-one of the ideas from our story is "deserts do not get much rain". We can support this with proof from the text. The topic is "deserts".