

Dragonfly Diary

Ms. Frens, Lincoln 3rd Grade



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The students added their comments to the blog on our website for the first time last week. You can find the DragonflyDiaryOnline at <http://dragonflydiary.weebly.com/index.html> or drop me an email and I will send you the link. The students also began keyboarding for the first time.

We're still working on an all-class homework return. We can do it! Happy Autumn! What a beautiful time of year!

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Reading

We have been talking about this strategy in reading:

This is how it helps me:

Writing

What do you find in a good ending?

Spelling

Giving students a **practice spelling test** on Thursdays is very powerful. The focus this week is on or / ore.

Social Studies: The students are hard at work on their **natural resources** posters. They are learning how to determine importance in non-fiction text and how to work in a group.

Math: Students began to shoot video demonstrating when and how to **regroup and ungroup** in addition and subtraction. This is the strategy I'm doing:

Friendship

October is anti-bullying month. We watched some videos about what bullying is and how we can stand up for ourselves and others. This is one way that I can do this:

- **Celebrations:** Thanks again for helping to make our **Fitness Frenzy fundraiser** a success! Last Friday, the students received **free** popcorn on Popcorn Friday because they raised more than \$1000.
- Some students also received extra recess. **Alissa Boersen** took a limo ride with Mr. DeGraaf for being our top fundraiser. Way to go 3rd graders!
- **MEAP:** This **Tuesday and Wednesday** begin MEAP testing. Students should be well-rested and have had a nourishing breakfast—which is a great goal for every day, naturally. ☺ Thanks to everyone who are helping with the snacks!
- **Halloween Craft:** We are looking for the following donations to make a fun craft at the party: cheap toilet paper rolls, forest green pipe cleaners, paper lunch sacks, green felt, quilt squares in orange or red patterns. Thanks for any contribution you are able to give!

"Be the change you want to see in the world."

--Mahatma Gandhi

Monday, 10/10

- Spelling Pre-Test: Introduce 5 new words
- Spelling homework comes home
- Look for 2-3 Math homework pages this week
- Library books due

Tuesday, 10/11

- MEAP starts
- Spanish / Music

Wednesday, 10/12

- MEAP continues
- PE

Thursday, 10/13

- Spelling Homework due
- Art / Music

Friday, 10/14

- Spelling Test: Lesson 5
- Math Test: Unit 1
- Retelling due
- PE