

News from Room 110

October 13, 2023



Hello,

We are already halfway through October! Fall is definitely in the air and the kids are getting excited about Halloween!

Even with such excitement in the air we are continuing to learn! The kids read about the history of playgrounds and then we brain stormed about what playgrounds twenty years from now would offer. They came up with some ideas to present to their classmates. Students often have a hard time getting up in front of their peers to present information so I give them the opportunity to practice A LOT! ☺

We are learning to write informational essays. We also will start having spelling words every week. We don't take spelling tests on Friday because I have learned that students can spell every word correctly in an isolated spelling test but can't seem to transfer this skill over to their writing.. To that end, I check misspelled words in their writing assignments and that is how they are graded. See next week's list below.

We wrapped up our Idaho history unit about symbols and have moved into an earth science unit. We are also learning how to solve more complex multiplication problems in math. We read, write, and have great discussions every day! In other words, we are learning and hopefully having some fun along the way!

Please check out the upcoming events! There are always a LOT of activities happening! Thank you for ALL you do!

Have an excellent week!

Michèle Rutherford

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, October 16

Watch DOGS begin today!

If your child wants to be in Kids Corp, applications are due!

Tuesday, October 17

Picture Day!

More information will be sent home as this date approaches!

Wednesday, October 18

PTA Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 31

Halloween Parade & Classroom Party
More information to follow!

Friday, November 10

NO SCHOOL!
TEACHER WORK DAY

Tuesday, November 14

Picture Retakes
Invent Idaho Projects Due!

Spelling Focus for the Week of: 10/16 - 10/20

Contractions

There are five secrets to spelling contractions correctly!

1. A contraction is two words combined to make a shorter word.

we + will = we'll I + am = I'm

2. The first word and last letter of the second word stay the same.

does + not = doesn't

(Notice that the word does remains unchanged and that doesn't ends in t from not)

3. An apostrophe takes the place of at least one letter.

could + have = could've

(Notice an apostrophe takes the place of the h & a in the second word have)

4. The apostrophe usually takes the place of a vowel.

it + is = it's

(Notice the apostrophe took the place of vowel I in the contraction)

5. The contraction sounds the way it is spelled!

they + would = they'd (just like it sounds!)

we + will	=	1. we'll	have + not	=	11. haven't
I + am	=	2. I'm	she + will	=	12. she'll
I + would	=	3. I'd	they + will	=	13. they'll
I + will	=	4. I'll	they + would	=	14. they'd
you + would	=	5. you'd	he + would	=	15. he'd
we + have	=	6. we've	would + have	=	16. would've
it + is	=	7. it's	could + have	=	17. could've
that + is	=	8. that's	would + not	=	18. wouldn't
what + is	=	9. what's	should + not	=	19. shouldn't
does + not	=	10. doesn't	let + us	=	20. let's

