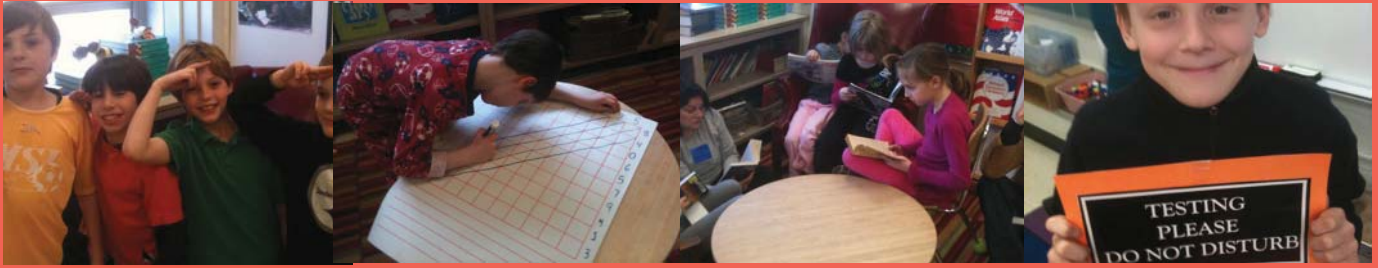


Third Grade News



Bannockburn Elementary School

April 2011

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Greetings from the Terrace Level! Spring is here at last, even though it's off to a chilly start. If you have not already done so, please return the pink sheet indicating whether or not you plan to have your child(ren) attend BES next year. This is important information for our planning.

The Science Fair will be held on the evening of Thursday, April 14. Please come! Many thanks to parents for all of your help in getting your child prepared for this special event.

We are excited to welcome back our drama workshops from Adventure Theater. We will again work with the awesome Meg Greene, our drama instructor, on skits about famous people from history who displayed the ethics we emphasize here at Bannockburn. Skits will be performed at a school assembly in June.

Language Arts

This quarter the students will investigate the fantasy genre in their reading. In our nonfiction reading we will recognize and use common text features including headings, key words, illustrations, maps, charts, and captions to gain meaning from text.

In writing, we will write to express personal ideas in stories, poems, plays, and other writings that convey a message, and include well-chosen details to develop the impressions using examples of figurative language. Students will also write independently for an extended period of time to produce final products in different contexts (e.g., narration, description).

Math

Since our students attend math classes at different grade levels, our school sends grade-level specific math information in Mr. Walder's monthly newsletter. Look for it!

Science & Social Studies

We're looking forward to our next Science unit, in which we will investigate the properties of sound. We just had a visit from a member of the Baltimore Symphony

Orchestra, who demonstrated the many sounds he can get from his trumpet. Students will be constructing their own instruments!

In Social Studies, we'll be looking at questions such as how changing wants affect the environment and how changes in transportation influence where people live.



Calendar

April 1
Class Picture Day

April 7
Report Card Distribution

April 14
Science Fair, 7 p.m.

April 18 - 25
Spring Break - No School

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