

Dickerson Elementary School

Chester NJ

Second Grade

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Mrs. Westberg's Classroom News!

Class News!

Thank you, students, for all the beautiful birthday cards. You made my day extra special! Next week, we will have some surprise experiments for Halloween! I also wanted to remind you that I have Office Hours every day at 2:15. You can just hop on, I'll be there! Please let me know if you need anything. Remember to follow us out on Twitter-@mrswestberg101! If you need anything, I can be reached at samantha.westberg@chester-nj.org

Science and Social Studies

This week, we continued our SEL program. We continued to discuss empathy and how we can understand how other people are feeling in different situations. We also talked about feeling confident. In science, we continued to learn about erosion. We loved the sugar cube experiment! Students were able to model how rocks break down over time. While the sugar cubes broke down quickly, we know that rocks take much, much longer. We wrapped up this science unit. Next week, we have some special Halloween experiments and will start our voting mini-unit. We will have an election to select our class mascot.

Language Arts

This week, we learned the sound for long e. Next week, our spelling list will focus on hard c (k) and soft c (s). Just a reminder that the challenge words are not included in the base score for spelling. I will grade each spelling test manually. In writing, we continued learning about Personal Narratives. Students worked on the endings of their stories and we started to revise. We learned about different ways to add a lead or hook to our beginning. In reading, we learned about problem and solution. We also discussed problem and solution in our reading groups. I am so proud of all the hard work I see in the classroom and at home!

Math

This week we took the Topic 2 math assessment. I am so proud of how well the students did on the assessment. I also introduced regrouping 10 ones for 1 ten. We started Topic 4, Fluently Add Within 100. We will be learning about partial sums and when to regroup the ones for tens. This can be a tricky topic, so please reach out if there is any way I can support you at home. Continue to practice addition facts at home!