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Reading Workshop

In the beginning of February, we will be finishing up our unit about getting to know the characters in our books. Students will bring their books to life as they take on the roles of the characters. They will act out their stories and think about the characters' feelings.

When we return to school later in February, we will begin our next reading unit. During this unit, students will focus more on using many strategies to read difficult words in their books. When they are stuck on a word they should use a variety of strategies to solve. Encourage your reader to think about what makes sense, as well as using the beginning letters, and looking across the word at all the parts of the word. Continue to practice sight words.

Writing Workshop

During writing workshop, students will begin writing opinion texts. The students will work on identifying problems and offering solutions in their writing. They will also support their ideas by providing reasons. For example, they will identify problems such as people not washing their hands. They will give the reader reasons why you should wash your hands. To support your writer encourage them to identify problems and explain why it is a problem. The students will select writing pieces to improve and add to them. Students will be encouraged to spell their best, use spacing, beginning capital letters and ending punctuation.

Math Workshop

Refer to the math newsletter for details about the current unit.

Social Studies

Students continue to study the community.

Science

Students will learn about solids, liquids and gases. They will practice describing their properties.