## Week of: January 9th

## This Week We Learned...

Literacy: This week we have been looking closely at the characters in our books and determining their character traits. We learned that there are two types of character traits: Physical and Personality. We practiced with several books and genres and are now working on comparing and contrasting. Also, we began work on our Three Little Pigs "expert" books. Each guided reading group is becoming an expert on a different version of the Three Little Pigs story.

Math: We began this week by looking at different coin calculations and moved in to mentally adding and subtracting 10 and 100.

Spelling: This week's spelling pattern was "bossy r". The pattern next week will be —ow and —ew.

Writing: In writing this week we continued our opinion writing. We discussed and practiced the structure for a well-written opinion piece. This includes an introductory sentence stating your opinion, three STRONG reasons, and a concluding sentence restating your opinion in a different way.

## Upcoming Dates

- No School- Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>
- Winter testing begins- Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>
- Book Orders due- Wednesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>
- Morning's with Moms-Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>
- Variety Show- Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>

## Notes from Miss Storjohann

- I am starting a new system in the classroom next week. This system uses the "Oops Notice". To help build responsibility with homework, I will be sending an Oops notice home with your child if their homework is incomplete or if I do not receive it. This is not a punishment or a bad mark on their report card, just simply a way to build responsibility and ownership with their homework. As second graders; it is our responsibility to get our work done, not our parents. Please contact me with questions!
- If your child is going to be absent please let me know <u>as well as</u> the front office for recording keeping! Thanks!

