

# CLASSROOM



# NEWS

Week of:

October 1st - 5th

## Important Dates:

10/8--No School, Columbus Day  
10/9--PTO Meeting @ 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Lounge  
10/10--Picture Day money due  
10/11--Picture re-takes and sibling photos  
10/17--Lunch in classrooms  
10/17 & 10/18--Parent-Teacher Conferences  
10/19--No School

## A Note from Mrs. Arreola:

We will be going on our first field trip to the Brookfield Zoo on October 12! We will be leaving Greenbriar at approximately 9:00 and returning at approximately 2:15. All students must bring a sack lunch, with drink, in a disposable container for our trip. Nothing from lunch will be brought back on the bus, so please make sure everything packed can be recycled or thrown away. I will send a reminder closer to the date. Also, please make sure your child wears appropriate clothes as we will be outside for most of the trip.

## What We Did This Week:

### Literacy:

This week in literacy studio we worked on writing reading responses for what we are reading. We focused on summarizing to find the lesson of a story and spent some time working on writing paragraphs with a concise beginning, middle, and end. We will continue working on this skill next week focusing on the quality of writing and being able to find text evidence to support our thinking.

### Math Workshop:

This week we began Chapter 3. We began adding two 4-digit numbers up to 10,000 with regrouping in the ones, tens, and hundreds place. We have been using an approach in math in which mathematical understanding is developed through using concrete, pictorial and abstract (or symbolic) representations. In this way, understanding is likely to be developed more quickly where children are encouraged to start from modeling a problem with concrete objects, before moving on to pictorial and finally, abstract representations.

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## Social Studies/ Science:

This week we spent our time in Social Studies comparing our lives in Northbrook to different 8/9 year olds around the world. Students read about typical days from a variety of countries and then completed their own. Next week, we will begin our Science unit on Animals!

## A Snapshot of Our Week!

