Don’t forget. Spelling tests are on Friday.

**OUR SPOW las t week was Rylee. This week it is Megan.**

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Rylee came with a very special guest last Thursday – Storm the black cat she got from the Humane Society. Storm was very gentle with the students and caused quite a bit of questions and even more connections. There were a lot of students who had heart-warming experiences to share. She also showed the class a picture of her wonderful family!

What’s new in social studies?

Students worked together to brainstorm, then write sentences on the ripple effect of what would happen if a rule or law was not followed. They are also learning the Constitution & are making a class one!

We had a blast on the Field Trip to Cedar Ridge today. The children were excellent representatives of Field!!! ☺

Please check out our class website!!! Your child’s heart maps will soon be posted. They are absolutely wonderful. <http://msreedsclass.weebly.com/>

Thank you to those parents/students who made donations for the Field Trek fundraiser!!! ☺ ☺ ☺

Language Skills are a huge component with Common Core *Students took a flashback assessment in nouns, verbs, and adjectives. They have set goals before these quick tests and then compare their goals to their actual score. This week the focus is on learning adverbs and in writing sentences with subject-verb agreement.*

**What’s new in reading**?

Wow! The children have been masters at figuring out the genre of a reading just with a few clues. With informational reading they have been working on finding details and asking questions. With literature they are working to understand characters: what they are thinking, what they are saying, and how they are acting to figure out what they want. In this way students are learning about a character’s personality & traits.

What’s new in math?

Students are working to find combinations of numbers and have begun to explore money. They are also learning to round numbers by the hundreds place and the tens place.

***Future plans***

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