

This was a fast week. Testing took up a good portion of the week. The Iowa Basic Skills Test was taken each morning. The test covered vocabulary, reading comprehension, math computation, estimation and problem solving. Social studies, science, maps and reference materials. The third graders took an additional portion on listening and word analysis.

Everyone did a great job and worked hard each of these days.

On Wednesday, we put our eggs in the incubator. We will be hatching chicken eggs. They need to stay at a constant 100 degrees and be turned twice a day. We had 11 eggs and are down to 8 now. Another school had eggs and their janitor knocked them over and so they called us to see if we could share.

We watched a *Magic School Bus* episode on eggs and learned all about fertilized vs non-fertilized eggs. We learned about how the hen makes the egg. It was a fascinating story.

Students selected reading books for the week and will be working on guided reading packets in the next two weeks on at least two of these stories.

We worked on wordly wise vocabulary words.

The Legacy Project books are in for all but two of our students. These will come home for you to look at, you may purchase it for \$25 + \$5 for shipping costs. Please return them to school on Monday. I will keep them and the class will be sharing portions of the books on March 23rd with their special person. If you would like an additional copy, just let me know, I can order extra books.

Please let me know by next Friday if anyone will be coming to school on March 23 for the Legacy Project Presentation.

Dates to remember:

- March 16th— Reservations for Friday, March 23rd due at school.
- March 17th GALA!!!!
- March 23rd—Legacy Project visitors invited to school for breakfast and presentation.
- March 23rd— early dismissal

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