



STEELERS SHOWCASE

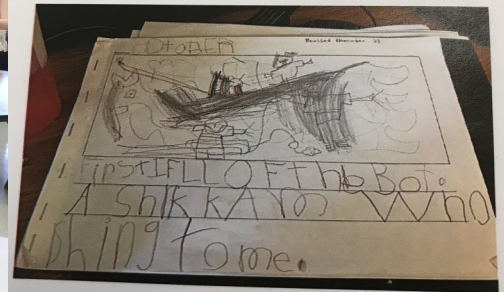
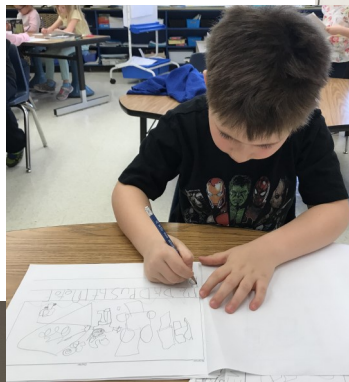
Our School Goal: *"To foster a culture of literacy that instills a lifelong appreciation of reading and writing for various purposes and audiences"*

Welcome to our monthly showcase newsletter! This month's showcase features the grade K/1 classroom. In our classroom we believe that all students are WRITERS. I have never seen such enthusiasm for writing in my teaching career as I have this year. They students have been encouraged to write small moments from the heart. We do this during a writer's workshop but also through play and exploration. Everyday students are excited to share their oral or written stories with others.

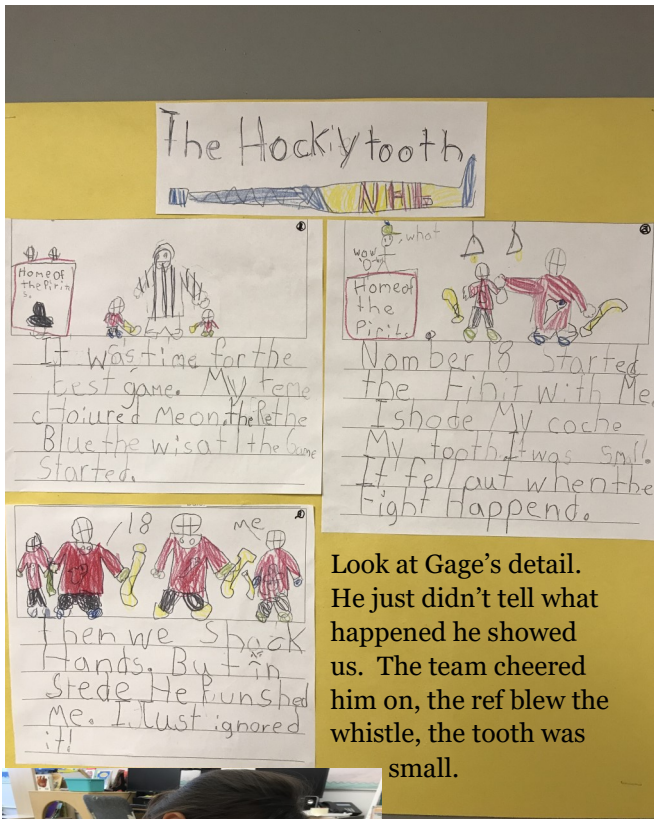
During Writer's Workshop we have been working on narrative writing. Last week we learned how author's add vivid details to their stories to help the readers' picture the story more.

After reading his story to the class last day Colten received some notices and questions about his story. "You have lots of details in your pictures Colten." "What is that on the side of your picture?" "Today Colten worked at revising his story to include more details not only in his pictures but in his words too.

Originally Colten just had written- *First I fell off the boat.* Today he added - *A shark came whooshing to me.*



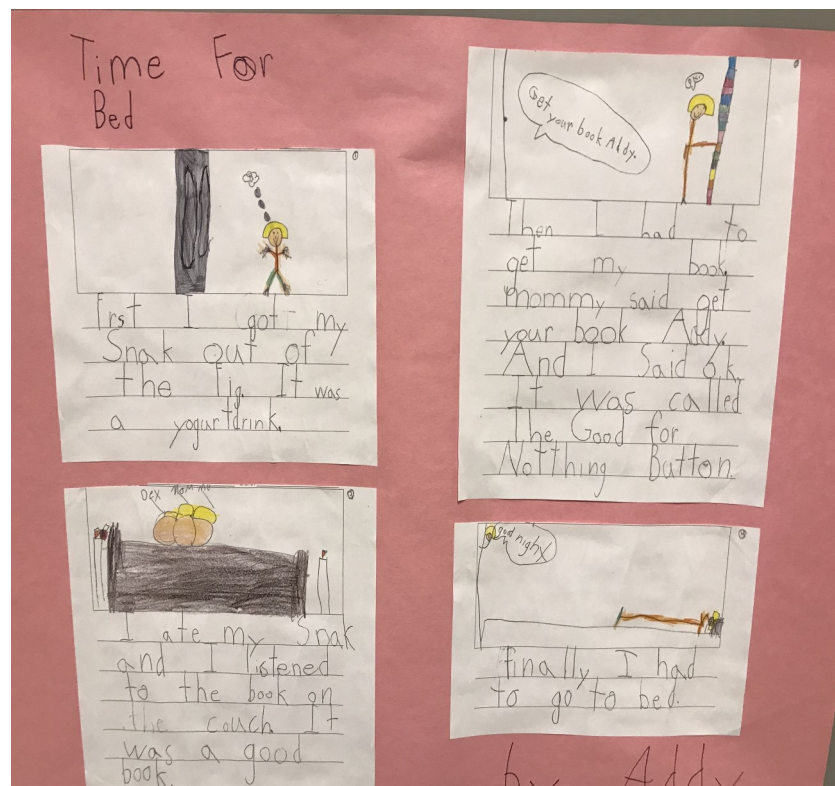
Page of Colten's story



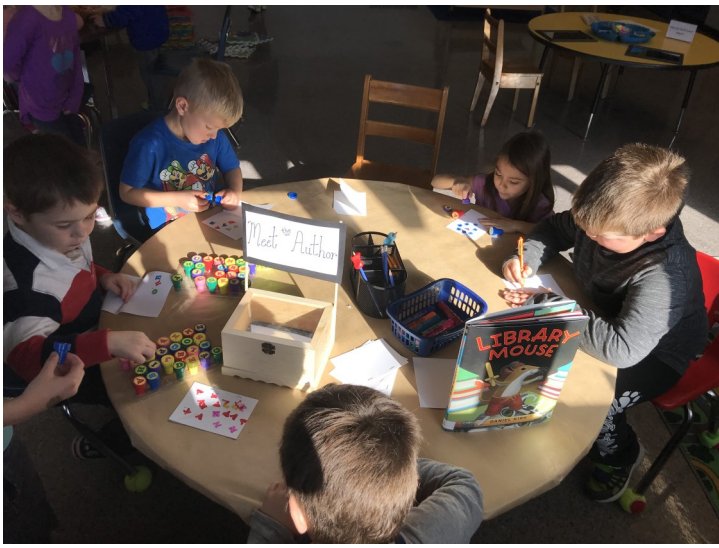
Look at Gage's detail. He just didn't tell what happened he showed us. The team cheered him on, the ref blew the whistle, the tooth was small.



Sophie adds so much detail to her illustrations.



Notice how Addy added voice to her story by using thinking and speech bubbles!



The book Library Mouse by Daniel Kirk has inspired many of our students. The author station in our center room is one of our most popular places. Here you will find student's writing small moment stories from the heart.



In our fall loose parts exploration Branson was telling the story of a family going on a walk in the forest and lot's of leaves were falling on them. They were looking for some pumpkins.

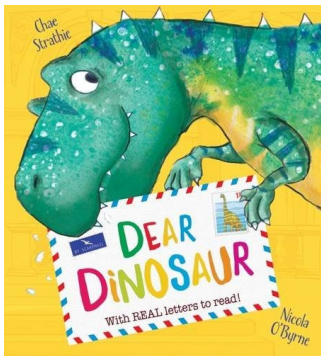


Brandi used pattern blocks to build and tell a story about a house and a fence.



Tucker exploring oral storytelling during our winter loose parts center. "There's a lot of people .It is Christmas Day. Mommy, Daddy, Gavin and Tucker. My grandma and grandpa. The decorations on the Christmas tree."

During this magnet exploration Shayla was using the letter magnets to practice spelling her name and her friends name.



This book inspired us to take a trip to the post office. A few days later this pile of letters and notes showed up on our table. Ready to be delivered.