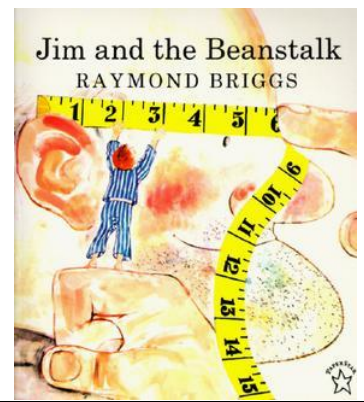




Miss Basinger's First Grade Newsletter April 13, 2017



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Scholastic book order due **Sunday, April 16!** My online code is NNCNK. You each got a code to use for a free book with a \$5 purchase! There are some awesome books for summer reading in the catalogs to help your kiddos stay on level throughout the summer.

This is what we studied:

- The word of the week: *empathy*—Please speak with your child about putting themselves in other people's shoes, thinking before speaking or acting, and working on using kind words when they speak to others if they have a conflict. We are really focusing on this right now. With the end of the year, sometimes there are more disagreements between peers, and they react instead of thinking before doing.
- We had a BLAST at the Crystal Bridge! They wrote about all the things they saw, smelled, and touched, in their journals! (Side note: Sorry for all the confetti they brought home. It was found in the park, and it made its way into their pockets.)
- We read different versions of Jack and the Beanstalk.
- We started growing lima beans this week! Some of the shells have already cracked open! The kiddos are hoping to grow beanstalks! ;)
- In math, we worked on word problems in math, finishing complex patterns with unifix cubes, and building the symmetrical mirror image of pattern blocks.
- A game you could do with your child at home is find things that are symmetrical and make a list (practices math skills, sounding out words, and handwriting! Plus— it's fun!)
- Please continue to read with your child nightly and work on sight words. Ask them to retell the story they read to you: First, Next, Then Last. Also recall characters (main and support), setting, problem and solution.

I apologize for the confusion on the Muffins with mom date! It is postponed until May due to testing.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

APR 24- BLAST off! (PRE-K leads) AND ZOO TRIP!!! (leave @ 9:30- return @ 2)

APR 25- Spring pictures! (no uniforms today!)

APR 27 & 28- NO SCHOOL! → OKC ART FESTIVAL

