



First Grade Literacy Life

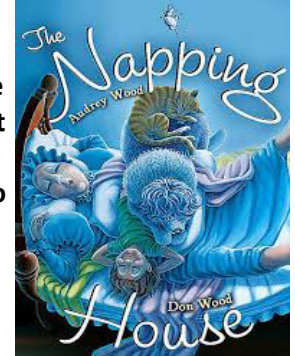


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Dear Room 126 Families,

As the days get shorter and the weather gets cooler, what do we always seem to be looking for more of? SLEEP! During the next two weeks, we will be reading all about it! First we will read an informational text all about the importance of sleep for people and animals. Then we will read *The Napping House*, a funny story about too many characters trying to nap all together.

Have a restful week!
Martha Orso



Word Wall Words	
11/9-11/13	11/16-11/20
♦ come	♦ are
♦ going	♦ with
♦ then	♦ jump
♦ away	♦ little
♦ see	♦ not

Spelling Words	
11/9-11/13	11/16-11/20
♦ sled	♦ dusk
♦ step	♦ trust
♦ spend	♦ stump
♦ sped	♦ trunk
♦ speck	♦ must

Vocabulary
♦ fortunately
♦ likely
♦ dozing
♦ slumbering
♦ cozy
♦ hibernate

Reading Strategies
♦ Author's Purpose- Identifying why an author wrote a text. Was it to teach or entertain? How do you know?
♦ Retell- Retell the main events in the correct sequence.
♦ Check for Understanding- Identify what you learned. What are the main ideas and important details?

Writing
The students are finding creative ways to tell both the "inside story" and "outside story." The outside story is what the characters do or say. The inside story is what they think or feel.
Student are also working on the following writing skills:
♦ writing complete sentences
♦ forming letters correctly
♦ using mostly lower case
♦ using the word wall or known words to spell un-

Activities to Do Together
♦ Make a list of animals that hibernate.
♦ Research some mammals and how they sleep. Create a poster that includes information with illustrations, labels and captions.
♦ <i>The Napping House</i> is a cumulative tale. Write your own! This is a story where one thing builds upon another. Bring your tale in to share with our class. We would love to hear it!