## Wainscott Weekly

\*\*\*October 21, 2016\*\*\*

This week has been a lot of fun. The students are really learning a bunch of different things and using the technology in our classroom to develop skills they didn't even know they possessed. Our stories this week both focused on animals and biographies. The opportunity presented itself to work on some research based learning using our ipads. The second graders are researching animals and their habitats, while the third graders are working on a biography of someone they admire. Both groups are going to use seesaw to create a written piece explaining their research. In Social Studies we are working still on government and map skills while during Science the emphasis has been on living things and their environments. These two topics have brought about many great conversations amongst the group. Yesterday we visited Harbes farm and the children had a chance to see the inner workings of an agricultural way of life. It is always fun to try the corn maze and experience the animals for the day. Just a reminder to keep checking on dojo for information about our school day. Have a wonderful weekend.

We had a great week! We learned many new and exciting things. Our Kindergarteners are beginning to decode and synthesize simple CVC words. It is important to practice the fluency passage and sight words to help our emergent readers and writers. The First Graders read a great story about how animals communicate. We discovered that they also use their five senses just like we do. As part of a writing project both groups created a silly, scary or funny monster that they used to create a descriptive story. It was lots of fun. In math the Kindergarteners worked greater than, less than in comparing numbers 0-10. The First Graders should practice math facts as we solved word problems applying this concept. In Science we began a unit about animals and their environments. We will be exploring deserts, oceans, rainforests and much more. In Social Studies we talked about leaders in our community, state and country. We had a fabulous time at Harbes Farm. We enjoyed a hayride, pumpkin picking, petting zoo, corn maze and amazing playground. The children had a fabulous adventure!

Have a great weekend!

Kelly



October 28th - EH Library Visit
October 31st - Halloween Parade @ 12:30
November 3rd - Trip to Westhampton
Beach Performing Arts Center



