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PIONEER DAY AT LANCASTER

Students at Lancaster stepped back in time today to learn about pioneer culture in Kansas. Parents on the AR committee planned four stations for the children to visit. At one station they tried roping a calf and “branding” a cow by stamping their initials on a cow shaped picture. The next station taught the children old-fashioned games like a bean bag toss, spoon race, and a game in which they kept a feather aloft by blowing on it.

Over in the library, Mrs. Lois Myers described her days as a student and teacher in a one-room schoolhouse. With the help of her daughter, Lori Boos, Mrs. Myers pointed out key places on a Kansas map and read S Is For Sunflowers, a book about Kansas that the committee is donating to the library and each classroom.

The final station was a lesson in making butter. Students shook a baby food jar full of cream until it solidified, then ate it with crackers. The children each had a “lunch pail” made of a tin can to carry their treats (sunflower seeds, deer jerky) and papers in.

Many thanks to the parents and grandparent who organized and planned this special morning: Jennifer Miller, Debbie Warriner, Lori Boos, Angie Scholz, Angie Hughes, Julie Hetherington, Barbara Carroll, Lori Oswalt, and Lois Myers. It was a terrific Kansas birthday celebration!