

## THE WEAVER

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Just last week, the fourth grade had an exciting, special guest! She was a weaver. She demonstrated two different ways to make thread. The first way she taught us was with a drop spindle. The other way was with a wooden machine with a wheel, a spool and many other parts. It was a spinning wheel. After she makes all of the thread she needs, she used a loom to weave them together. The shirt she was wearing that day was one that she had woven herself. Her socks were homemade too, but she herself didn't make them. She also said she makes things and sells them at art festivals. She works at home, and has her own special weaving room. As we were leaving, we saw some other things she made and what materials she uses to make threads. The materials that were not cleaned had a sort of a greasy feel to them, whereas the cleaned ones were soft. There was an example of a hat she wove that was soft and had very pretty colors. In conclusion, we all had a great time watching the weaver do what she loves best!