

This Week in Third Grade...

Math: Students need to continue practicing their multiplication facts! Currently, most students are practicing their 6 multiplication facts and beyond! I have set a new class goal to have a "multiplication party." All students must be up to their 9's by Spring Break! This week, we will be discussing fractions that are less than as well as greater than one whole. In addition, students will be comparing fractions and plotting them on a number line. We will be working with whether or not the fractions are equivalent this week as well as how far away the fraction is from zero.

Reading: Students will continue to analyze character and practice finding main idea and details, fact opinion, sequencing and inferencing. We are currently on Unit 7 of reading. My reading group will be working on a text dependent analysis on Monday. On Tuesday, we will be focusing on the literary genre of Fairy Tales.

Writing: We will be completing our very first Persuasive Writing piece this coming Monday. Students will spend a full Writer's Workshop focusing on making revisions to their pieces based on teacher feedback. We will be beginning a new Persuasive Writing piece on Tuesday and this will continue throughout the week. Particularly, we will focus on analyzing Persuasive speeches/what constitutes an effective speech.

Science/ S.S. The students will take their science vocabulary quiz on Monday. Later this week, we will resume our Social Studies Unit and focus specifically on the different components of diversity. We will be focusing on the science behind skin color as well as gender stereotypes in the media.

Third Grade Power Team Ms. Amoscato's News

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone is having a wonderful weekend. Just a reminder that you should be checking your child's homework every night. Homework logs should be signed daily by a parent (including Fridays!) Students should be practicing their multiplication facts every night! Once they pass their multiplication timed test (2 minutes) they will move on to the next set of multiplication facts. At least 10 minutes should be devoted to facts each night! In addition, students should be practicing their spelling words every night! Studying small chunks every night will make the studying more manageable!

We are focusing, as a class, on improving our listening skills and reaching our own individual goals! On Friday, I was able to sit down and talk to most students about what they would like to achieve before the end of the year as far as behavior and academics.

Upcoming Tests

A Spelling Test will take place on Friday, February 26th, 2016.

A Science Vocabulary Test will take place Monday, February 22nd, 2016

A grammar test will take place on Thursday, February 23rd.

IMPORTANT NOTES!

Please make sure that your child is reading their book-it book! Their book report is due by the end of February!