



This Week in Third Grade...

Math: This week in math, students will be finishing up our area, perimeter and geometry unit. We will begin the study guide on Monday, review on Tuesday and test on Wednesday. On Thursday and Friday, students will be sent back to their home base class for the remainder of the year! :) We will be reviewing concepts learned throughout the year such as fractions, double digit multiplication, long division, word problems, logic puzzles, etc. This is a really lovely way to end the year together!

Reading: This week, students will finish up our end project on "Oliver Twist." As a class we came up with a list of 17 themes that can be found throughout this novel. Tomorrow we will complete our illustration of the chosen theme and how it relates to the characters. In reading, the main text is entitled "The Adventures of Oliver Woodman." We will be focusing on sequencing as well as focusing on other texts that are written in "letter-like" formats. We will begin the day with either a fable or a short folktale just to practice comprehension techniques learned throughout this year!

Writing/ Grammar: Students will be concluding their "Hero Informational Piece" at the end of this week. We will then begin our next writing unit which focuses on writing Poetry. Students usually have a fabulous time listening, reading and creating their own poems based off of various prompts, subjects and themes!

Read Aloud: We will be concluding our novel study this week entitled "Extra Credit." Students will be reading with a partner and on their own the last few chapters. We will be discussing real-world issues as related to the book and conclude thinking about the lessons our main character learned throughout her journey. Our own pen pals have written back and thus part of this authentic experience is learning what it means to communicate with someone who is not necessarily the same as you. We will be continuing our pen pal project a few more times before the conclusion of this year.

Handwriting: We will be reviewing our lowercase letters this week through the connecting of two or three letters to make words. In addition, we will continue capital letters this week as part of our direct instruction. We just had our very first spelling test in cursive. Students did a really lovely job (even though it was tough!)

Science: This week, students will be finishing up learning about the moon and moon phases/information about our solar system. We will then jump right into an investigative lesson where students will be exploring various rocks and minerals! Afterwards, towards the end of this week, we will be beginning our unit entitled "Investigative Engineering by Design." This unit is incredibly hands-on and allows for many inquiry-based projects.

Third Grade Power Team

Ms. Amoscato’s News

Dear Families,

I thank you so very much to all of the parents who have come in for a conference! I have enjoyed talking with each and every one of you!

Students did receive spelling words for this coming week on Friday. Students will receive their vocabulary words for the text this week as well. We now are officially taking our spelling tests in cursive! All of us are doing a fantastic job with our cursive.

As we continue on through the final months of this year, we are continuing to work on being respectful to others (thinking of others first before ourselves) and being kind! We have built a truly wonderful classroom community. As a group, we continue to work on spreading kindness wherever we go.

Warmly,  
Miss Amoscato

**Upcoming  
Tests**

A MATH TEST WILL TAKE PLACE  
ON WEDNESDAY OF THIS WEEK

SPELLING, READING AND  
VOCABULARY TEST will take place  
this FRIDAY.

