

This Week in Third Grade...

Math: This week in math, students will be continuing area and perimeter through critical thinking word problems as well as coming up with as many combination of rectangles when given a set perimeter and set area. We will also continue to review shapes, categories, angles, lines and their attributes. A small mid-module will take place on Tuesday to review a few of the concepts learned throughout this unit.



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 work on individually choosing our favorite theme and thinking about how it is represented within the book. A relatively normal reading schedule will also take place this week. Students will be reading a story entitled "The Great Migration." In addition, we will be reading short fables through this week as our mini-lessons focusing on mood, theme, characters, etc. We will also be breaking out into small groups as students read an "extended mini- novel" focusing on lessons learned throughout this year. Small guided reading groups will take place Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

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!)

Third Grade Power Team

Ms. Amoscato's News

Dear Families,

Good Evening! This week we are officially back to our regular schedule! I will be sending emails the night before for those who are coming in for a conference this week! I look forward to meeting with all of you again!

Students did receive spelling words for this week. These words are part of the "Great Migration" text that we will be reading throughout this week. In addition, we will begin again our vocabulary word study and vocabulary tests on Fridays.

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 Mid Module Test will take place on Tuesday of this week!

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

IMPORTANT NOTES!

Conference Reminders will be sent through email through this week! Please be on the lookout for this!

TAKE 5! All students should be practicing their multiplication facts for (5 minutes) each and every night!