



This Week in Third Grade...

Math: This week we will be focusing on double digit and triple digit addition as well as a bit of rounding review! Students will re-learn the concept behind addition (place value, etc.) as well as learn the standard algorithm when adding large numbers!

Reading: Students will continue to read books about various historical events. Students will continue to discuss the historical background of the book, and will also be reading the book and how it relates to the perspectives of the people during that specific time period. The three books we will be focusing on are entitled *Pink and Say*, *Baseball Saved Us* and *Jessie Sailed Across the Sea*. All are phenomenal examples of the historical fiction genre.

In addition to Reader's Workshop, we will continue our new read-aloud entitled *The Bridge to Terabithia*. Students have done a nice job thus far analyzing character and determining the various central messages that the author relays within each chapter.

Writing: Last week we began reading various realistic fiction picture books about characters facing problems from various parts of the world through various cultures. We began brainstorming realistic problems that people go through every day. This week, students will choose the realistic problem they wish to work with in their fictional pieces. In addition, they will begin thinking about the outward and inward characteristics of the protagonists in their stories.

Science: We will begin our new Chemical Testing unit. Students will learn about the various properties of matter as well as beginning to recognize both the physical and chemical properties of matter! We have a lot of exciting experiments planned for this particular unit. Though we will not be completing any experiments this week due to the shortened week, we will resume when students come back from break!

Grammar: Last week we learned about abstract nouns versus concrete nouns and the students wrote some incredibly creative poems. This week, we will be heading into our verb unit. Students will learn to identify action verbs, main verbs and helping verbs.

Third Grade Power Team Ms. Amoscato's News

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone has had a relaxing weekend! We have started to see a bit of snow and so it does feel like we have officially begun the holiday season. We have quite a shortened week this week. The students have full days of school on Monday and Tuesday but a half day on Wednesday.

Please make sure your child is practicing their spelling words and math facts! Particularly, math facts we need to practice! I did create flashcards on Friday for all of your students. Expect this small manila folder to come home every night for extra practice!

We will be having our Thanksgiving Feast on Tuesday of this week! Our class has been asked to bring in desserts! If you are willing and able to bring in a dessert of some kind to share with the class, that would be fabulous! It is sure to be a jolly time for all!

Thank you again for all of your support and assistance!

Upcoming Tests

NO Tests this week! Enjoy!

IMPORTANT NOTES!

- * A reminder that students should be studying their multiplication facts!
- * Students should be reviewing their spelling words every night!
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