



This Week in Third Grade...

Math: This week in math we will continue understanding the concept behind division using tape diagrams, number bonds and exploring division through word problems.

We will also be introducing the distributive property of multiplication while reviewing the commutative property as well! On Thursday, students will be having their first mid-module assessment. This mid-module is truly just a quiz that reviews concepts learned throughout the first two weeks of school. Students will read word problems, draw arrays, write multiplication and division equations that represent the arrays and show their knowledge of both the distributive and commutative properties! Concepts have been constantly reviewed throughout this unit. Thus, students should be completely prepared for their mid-module! I will send a study guide with similar practice problems on Wednesday! We will spend part of Thursday reviewing and then we will take the quiz the second half of Math class. On Friday, we will dive right back into the curriculum with division word problems and representative tape diagrams.

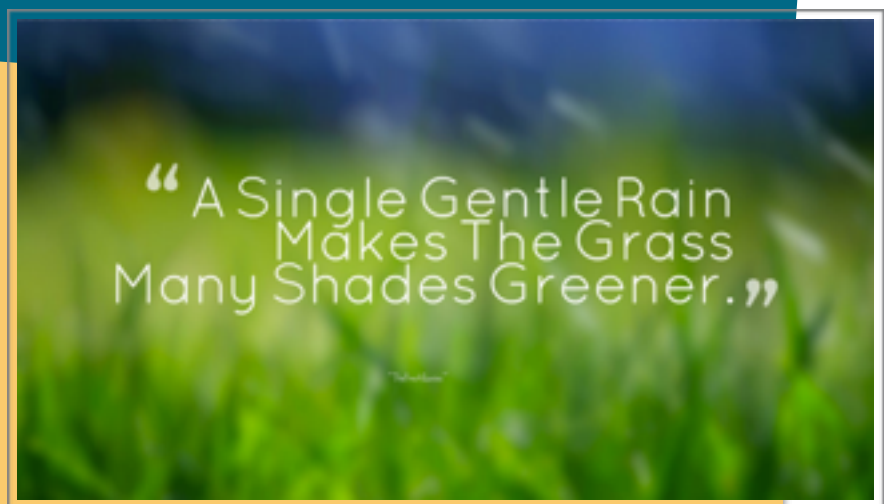
Reading: This week, we will be beginning our third reading Unit. This particular story of *Destiny's Gift* focuses particularly on character traits and dynamic characters/how characters affect one another. We will also be focusing closely on the central message/theme of this particular story. A second trade book will be *Gift*.

Read Aloud: This week we will begin our novel entitled "The Wish Tree." We will be reading this read-aloud side by side together and focusing on different points of view!

Writing/ Handwriting: We will be completing our first descriptive paragraph focusing on our "One World One Day." We have been closely exploring the use of multiple hooks as well as writing showing versus telling sentences. We will discuss the use of a thesaurus this week within our writing while carrying out the revision process of our "episodic" moment. On Friday, Students will also be starting the first mini-narrative/memoir following the prompt of "My proudest moment." We will review the parts of a narrative and the prewriting process. Brainstorming will occur on Friday as well as a peek into one of my favorite "memoirs" of all time.

Grammar: This week, focus will be on writing four different types of sentences. In addition, we will dive into the construction of compound sentences through the use of FANBOYS. We will also be utilizing this lesson and applying it to our descriptive paragraphs.

Science: We will continue our Plant Life Science Unit through the investigation of various groups of plants, plant reactions, etc. Students will participate in hands-on centers and rotations to learn these concepts!



Dear Families,

Hello! I hope you had a wonderful weekend with family and friends! I do hope you have been staying dry despite this very wet weather! Students continue to do an amazing job within the classroom! We have a lot of charisma flowing through our class (which I think is simply wonderful.) Though our stomachs are still growling by 11:00 (mine included) we are learning to adjust to our third grade routine! Please continue to check your child's homework log for homework assignments!

-Mrs. Amoscato

Upcoming Tests

- Spelling Test Friday
- Vocabulary Test Friday
- Reading Comprehension Quiz Friday
- Mid-Module Math Assessment Thursday

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you so very much to all of the wonderful school supplies I have received. The tissues, wipes and pencils have been incredibly helpful! Thank you very much!