



3rd Grade News

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Academics

Language Arts:

This week we read the story "Phoebe and the Spelling Bee". Ask your child about the creative way that Phoebe learned how to spell words for the spelling bee. We explored the problems and solutions in this story. In language we worked on identifying the subject and predicate of a sentence. During the next two weeks we will be reading a story called Max Malone and trying our hand at reader's theater. Our spelling words will have the long i and the long o sounds. Pretest will be on Tuesday, with the posttest on Friday.

Handwriting:

This week we reviewed many of the lowercase manuscript letters. I think it is really helping the third graders to have this extra practice and review before diving into cursive. Hopefully we will soon be able to transition into cursive.

Math:

In math we reviewed number name boxes, probability and chance, using math tools, and different ways to display data. I encourage the third graders to review their addition/subtraction facts for a few minutes each night.

Science & Social Studies:

This week in social studies we learned about the differences between rural, urban, and suburban communities. Next week we will be having a quiz over the first chapter, and we will also begin creating posters which will display each type of community.

Calendar

No School - Labor Day *Sept. 7*
Everyday Math Night *Sept. 15*
 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Midterm *Sept. 16*
Picture Retake Day *Oct. 1*
K-5 Open House *Oct. 8*
 6-8 p.m.
No School - Columbus Day *Oct. 12*

Spelling Words Week of Sept. 8th

might	life	rode
own	most	tie
find	toast	wipe
flight	bicycle	lie
spoke	ago	thrown

Challenge Words:

<i>their</i>	<i>there</i>	<i>they're</i>
<i>does</i>	<i>goes</i>	

Reminders & Announcements

• We've had a very busy week in third grade! Everyone continues to do a pretty good job completing homework. Thank you so much for your help at home as you check to see if your child has all of his/her homework completed. Have a wonderful three-day weekend!

• We still have openings for helpers for our Halloween, Christmas, and Valentine's Day parties. If you are interested in helping out in any way and haven't signed up yet, please let me know!

Don't forget: 200 pages due for book reports by midterm, Sept. 16th. Your third grader has completed book reports for _____ pages so far this quarter.

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