



River Ridge Elementary School

Mrs. Schafer's 3rd Grade

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3rd Grade News

Academics

Language Arts:

We have been working on two non-fiction selections about spiders, "Spiders at Work" and "Web Wonders". Our comprehension strategies have been important/unimportant information and comparing/contrasting. Each student also has been conducting research on a particular spider. This week we organized our information and completed our final drafts. In language we are studying plural nouns, common and proper nouns, and capitalization rules. Also, students should have completed book reports for 200 pages by midterm, Nov. 10th.

Handwriting:

So far we have learned lowercase cursive letters i, t u, w, e, l, b, h, f, e, w, k, r, s, j, a, d, g, o, q, and c. We also reviewed numbers.

Math:

Our math tests went well this week. Our next chapter introduces multiplication concepts. Please also be working with your child at home each night reviewing addition/subtraction facts, as very soon we will be adding multiplication/division facts.

Social Studies: In social studies we are discussing communities in history as well as early explorers.

Calendar

Midterm	Nov. 10
No School—Veteran's Day	Nov. 11
Midterms go home	Nov. 13
Early Dismissal: 1:30 p.m.	Nov. 25
No School-Thanksgiving	Nov. 26-27
Elementary Holiday Concert	Dec. 9

Spelling Words

Pretest: Nov. 9 Posttest: Nov. 13

The third graders will be creating their own spelling list this week. The list will be sent home on Monday.

AN IMPORTANT NOTE:

Mrs. Haas is encouraging students to bring water bottles to school in order to stop the spread of germs and so that students can stay hydrated throughout the day.

Reminders & Announcements

Thanks so much to those of you who provided names/address of those serving or have served in the military. We will be writing letters next week as we learn about Veteran's Day. If you have a name/address that you'd still like to submit, we will still accept them through next week. Please also indicate whether that person is currently in the military, and what branch of the military they were affiliated with.

*Book orders will be due on Nov. 9th. Just let me know if your purchase is a gift, and I will call you when them come in. ***Brady & Laura were our Oct. Wildcat winners.*

Your child has read _____ pages toward the midterm goal of 200 pages, which will be due Tues. Nov. 10th.

Those who reach the semester goal of 400 pages will receive a Happy Joe's certificate.

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