



# 3rd Grade News

## River Ridge Elementary School

Mrs. Schafer's 3rd Grade

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### Academics

**Language Arts:** Our story this week and next week is "Moses Goes to a Concert". We are working on identifying main idea and supporting details. We are also learning about the sections of an orchestra, and researching different instruments. Next week we will not have a spelling list. The following week our spelling words will all contain double consonants. In language we will be reviewing compound words and writing letters to Santa.

**Handwriting:** We are reviewing all of the lowercase cursive letters. We will begin uppercase after Thanksgiving.

**Math:** We will be having a test over Unit 4 on multiplication and division on Tuesday, Dec. 1st. A review guide will be sent home on Monday, Nov. 30th. Students should be working on basic multiplication facts up to 5's.

**Social Studies:** We will be having a social studies test on Tuesday, Nov. 24th, over Ch. 4: Communities in History (pgs. 108-127). The students are bringing a study guide and their textbook home tonight to study.

### Calendar

*Early Dismissal: 1:30 p.m. - Nov. 25*

*No School-Thanksgiving— Nov. 26-27*

*Elementary Holiday Concert - Dec. 9*

*Holiday Parties - Dec. 21*

*No School - Dec. 22-Jan. 1*

*School Resumes — Jan. 4*

*Report Cards go home — Jan. 5*

### Spelling Words

**Pretest: Nov. 30 Posttest: Dec. 4**

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|----------|--------|---------|
| small    | ladder | little  |
| happen   | rubber | grass   |
| ribbon   | lesson | silly   |
| butter   | supper | middle  |
| possible | hobby  | unhappy |

*Challenge Words:*

*blossoms imaginary*  
*dawn miserable*  
*shallow*

### Reminders & Announcements

*We will be having a holiday gift exchange in our classroom. Please purchase a \$3-5 gift for a boy (if your student is a boy) or for a girl (if your student is a girl). Thanks!*

The end of the semester will be Dec. 21st. 400 pages will be due by that date. Also, the third graders have each signed up for a time to present their character book report to the class. Please help your child be prepared to present on the date they signed up for.

**Thanksgiving Homework:** *Your family is challenged to find the most words that you can using the letters in the word "Thanksgiving". The winning family will get a bag of their favorite candy. Details will be sent home next Wednesday.*

This will be our last newsletter before Thanksgiving. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday!

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