



3rd Grade News

River Ridge Elementary School

Mrs. Schafer's 3rd Grade

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Academics

Language Arts: This week we read "Lon Po Po", which is a Chinese version of Little Red-Riding Hood. We worked on forming judgments and decisions. In language we worked on using linking verbs and completed a mixed review from previous lessons. Next week we will be working on different activities from this story, such as comparing the story to other stories and practicing a Reader's Theater. There will not be a spelling list during the next two weeks due to ISAT testing.

Math: We continued our chapter over multiplication this week. We completed an activity that practiced our multiplication skills by scoring points in basketball. During ISAT testing days, the 3rd graders will not be having math homework.

Science: This week during science we finished our chapter over water. We also watched an exciting movie about the water cycle. The students really enjoyed seeing the visuals of how water moves. On Tuesday, March 2, we will be having a test over the water cycle. Study guides are being sent home today. Next week we will also be making posters of the water cycle.

Calendar

ISAT Testing: March 1-12

End of 3rd Quarter: March 12

Parent-Teacher Conferences: March 17-18

No School: March 18 & 19

School Spring Carnival: March 26

Spring Picture Day: March 30

1:30 Dismissal: March 31

Book Reports

Your child has read _____ pages toward the 3rd quarter goal of 400 pgs, due on March 12th.

Feb./March Book Report Projects will also be due on March 12th.

ISAT Information

ISAT testing will begin on March 3rd. Please be sure that your child has a good night's sleep each night during the next two weeks. Appointments and absences should be avoided if possible. Thanks so much!

Reminders & Announcements

We welcomed a new student to our class this week, Emily Doyle! Welcome, Emily!

Our Jump Start Student of the Week for the goal of "Being a Leader" is Parker Reese. Good job, Parker!

On Thursday, Mr. Bill Timm from the Carroll County Haiti Mission Project was here to share his recent trip to Haiti with the 3rd and 4th graders. He also shared details about how their clinic has been doing since the earthquake, and he thanked us for our donation.

During ISAT testing (March 3-5, 9-11) snacks are welcome! If you are interested, please send in healthy snacks only, such as cheese, sausage, fruit, crackers, or veggies. We now have 18 in our class.

Thanks to Mr. Curry and the FFA for sponsoring the petting zoo and ice cream we enjoyed on Thursday.

On Friday afternoon we also enjoyed an ice cream party as a reward for filling our class coin jar two times!

Notes about conferences went home yesterday. If you had a Friday conference in the fall, please be sure to return the note. Please also see the back of this newsletter for an important note from Mr. Scarano.

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