

Third Grade News

August/September

Welcome Back

Welcome to Third Grade. We enjoyed meeting the many parents that attended Open House with your child. The students are off to a great start. They are adjusting to third grade and showing a great work ethic on assignments. Please make sure your child is prepared with his/ her assignments and supplies. Each night check your child's agenda for homework assignments and sign the agenda. Thank you for completing the beginning of school paperwork and returning it promptly.

We highly encourage each parent to attend our upcoming Curriculum Night. At that time we will go over the Third Grade Curriculum expectations in detail. .

SPECIAL DATES:

MAP (Reading and Math)-Sept. 2-3

BOG (Beginning of Grade)-Sept. 9-10

Curriculum Night - Sept. 23 (6:00, 6:30, 7:00)

Reading:

This week during reading the students have been learning about being a part of a reading community. We have specifically had lessons about what is expected during our Reader's Workshop time. We are emphasizing developing reading stamina, how to read with partners, choosing "just right" books, and how to stop and check for comprehension.

Next, the students will be learning how to shop for books to keep in their baggies, recording their books on a Reading Log, and responding to reading through reading journals and jotting notes.

Writing

This week during writing the students have written about themselves and some of their summer experiences. Soon they will have completed their "All About Me" newspaper. It's been a fun time for us to get to know each other better and build relationships.

Next, we will begin learning how to develop a paragraph. We will teach the students to use the writing process to develop their writing pieces. In addition, grammar lessons will begin with verbs.

Word Work and Vocabulary

This week the students are learning how to complete a variety of sorts and activities to help them learn spelling patterns. Once the students are placed in their spelling groups they will begin Word Work homework. At that time a letter will be sent explaining how spelling will be done this year.

Next week, the students will also have weekly vocabulary words.

MATH

This week during math the students have reviewed using ones and tens to represent numbers. They are adding and subtracting one and two digit numbers using strategies, such as, the hundreds charts, and ones and tens manipulatives and pictures. They have also practiced skip counting and identifying ordinal numbers. We continue to focus on these skills during September.

Science

The students have started learning about what scientists do. Next, they will learn the scientific method and conduct an experiment in which they will use the scientific method.

Mrs. Smith

Mrs. Vest

Mrs. Dameron



Mrs. Muncy

Mrs. Gehling

Mrs. Giesler

Ms. Miller