

Grade 3 News

Monday, December 2, 2019

Important Dates

Dec. 2 - Dec. 12 - Annual Christmas Cheer Drive Dec.4-Bus Safety Presentation Dec.6-Out of this World Day Dec.16-Plaid Day Dec. 18-Holiday Sale (bring quarters, loonies & toonies) -PJ & Stuffed Animal Day Dec.20-Red/Green & Festive Sweater Day Dec. 21-First Day of Winter Dec. 23-Jan. 6-Winter Holiday December is always a busy month! The next few weeks should prove that statement correct. Your child will be participating in many fun filled activities, celebrations and will be working hard to cover curriculum that needs to be addressed before the break. Stay tuned for further information and class notes about specific school activities or classroom activities.

We would also like to wish you and your families "Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!" We hope you get a chance to relax, enjoy time with your loved ones and stay safe. We will see you in the new year.

Mrs. Maltby, Mrs. Does & Mr. Regier

Language Arts

We are wrapping up our report writing and have been practicing our paragraph writing format. The next form of writing your child will be exploring is narrative. We will be following the writing process to create stories that have a beginning, middle and end. They will also include characters, setting, problem and solution. Continue to remind your child to proofread and edit their writing for C.O.P.S.



In reading, we have been focusing on main idea and supporting details. We hope that this will also transfer to their writing. We have also been practicing the reading strategy of making connections. We have discussed text-to-self, text-to-text and text-to-world. We will be moving to making predictions and visualizing. Just a reminder that your child should be reading nightly for about 20 minutes. Before, during and after reading, discuss the text to help improve comprehension.



<u>Math</u>

Our next math unit will be on patterns. We are learning to identify, create and extend repeating, increasing and decreasing patterns. Before the holidays we will be moving on to money. The students will estimate, count and represent the value of a collection of coins and bills up to \$10.00.

<u>Science</u>

Our first unit of the year, Growth and Changes in Plants, is almost done. We will begin our plant presentations a week later then we originally posted. Please be prepared to present the week of Dec. 9th. Our next unit will be Forces Causing Movement.

<u>Gym</u>

Your children have been having fun learning many new skills. We are now focusing on volleyball. We expect many interruptions in the month of December so please make sure your child is prepared and dressed appropriately for outdoor gym.

