

Grade 3D

Class Newsletter



March 2019

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Dear Grade 3D Parents,

Wow! It will be another very busy month. Please note the following dates. Watch out for the leprechauns!

Scholastic Book Orders:

Scholastic Book orders will be due on Friday, March 8th this month.



Home Reading:

This month I am asking for 10 reading tickets to be handed in on Thursday, March 28th. Happy reading!



Student-Led Conferences

Just a reminder that Student-Led Conferences will take place this month on Wednesday, March 27th and Thursday, March 28th. Please watch for information about booking your Student Led Conference online.

Important dates:

March 5 - Shrove Tuesday - pancake lunch
March 6 - Ash Wednesday - 9:00 Liturgy at HFS (Lent begins)
March 8 - Book orders due
March 13 - STARS Day - kindness - Wear a pink shirt
March 14th and 15th (Teacher's Convention) - No school
March 21 - FNMI Grade 3 Teepee Presentation
March 22 - Face-To-Face School Presentation
March 27/28 - Student-Led Conferences
March 29th - Day off in lieu of Student-Led Conferences - No school

Curriculum Update:

Religion:

We will soon be in the Lenten season. During Lent, our Holy Family students will be participating in a "Lifestyle Awareness Calendar" focusing on all the blessings they have and remembering those in need. Please remind your child to check their calendar each day. We will also be collecting food items for the Red Deer Food Bank. Please donate if you are able.

Language Arts:

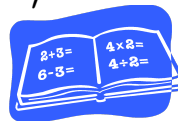
We will continue to focus on reading comprehension, reading accuracy, reading fluency and expanding vocabulary. We will also be working on both descriptive writing with elaborative detail. Mrs. Humphrey has been working with the students to write a complete paragraph. They have now finished writing their first paragraph and will continue to work on developing their writing skills.

We will also begin our new spelling program called Words Their Way. Students will be bringing home their levelled words to practise. Please watch for more information.

Math:

We are finishing our Fractions Units this month. Please continue to talk to your children about where and how we use fractions in our daily lives. Next in math we will begin working on **adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers**.

Math Facts: It is so important for your children to know their basic facts (addition and subtraction to 18) and that they have a good grasp of adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers. Please have them practice a couple of equations every evening to help improve their fluency and accuracy with these concepts.



Math X Table Facts:

Soon we will also begin to work on our multiplication facts. Students need to know up to 5X5 this year. For now, please practice 0, 1, and 2 times tables. We can use our knowledge of skip counting to help us with our facts (ie. 0,2,4,6,8, etc). We refer to multiplication as "groups of".

Science: We are finishing off our Hearing and Sound Unit. Our next topic for science is called "Building and Testing". This is a combination of our "Building with a Variety of Materials Unit" and "Testing Materials and Design". We will use objectives from both units interchangeably. It involves examining a variety of materials and designs for their suitability as building materials. We will use this knowledge in our building process. If you have neat pictures of cool buildings, bridges or different structures, please send them and we will put them on our bulletin board!

Social: Our class is completing their culminating activity for the country of Tunisia. Students will be presenting their Tunisia Google Presentations to the class after the break.

This month students will also work on creating brochures about our next country, Ukraine. We will be taking another flight to the country of Ukraine. There we will learn about the traditions and celebrations in the Ukrainian culture. We will be discussing their quality of life, the services they need, their resources, as well as their government.

Have a great month!

Mrs. Downey and Mrs. Weddell