

# HFS Grade 3D

## October Newsletter 2022



Dear Grade 3D Parents,

The month of October is exciting and full. This month we will be celebrating Thanksgiving with a school Thanksgiving Celebration, Stone Soup Day and Halloween! Please note that we often do service projects to help those less fortunate. Never feel that you have to contribute if it gets overwhelming for you. My motto is "ask and you shall receive". When we are in a position to give, we can. We certainly don't expect everyone to contribute all the time. Just do what you can. God bless!

### Reminders:

- As the weather gets colder this month, please remember to send warm mittens, hats, coats, etc. to school with your child (in a bag) to wear during recess times.
- Our 3D library day is Wednesday each week. Please remind your child to bring their books to school for book exchange.
- Please remind your child to bring home their desk water bottles for washing daily.
- PD Day - Friday, Oct. 7th No school for students.
- Thanksgiving Celebration - Thursday, October 6th at 10:45 am.
- Thanksgiving - No school Oct. 10th. Enjoy your extra long weekend!
- Stone Soup Day - Wednesday, October 5th
- School Pictures - October 12th @ 1:45pm

### Thanksgiving 'Stone Soup'

On Wednesday, October 5th the grade threes will be learning about sharing the harvest by making 'Stone Soup'. Please **send a bowl and a spoon** with your child on this day.

**Boys:** Please bring one of the following vegetables: carrots, potatoes, green beans, corn, turnips, etc. (Please cut up and bring in a sealed plastic bag).

**Girls:** Please bring a fruit of your choice ( Please cut up and bring in a sealed plastic bag).

We will be reading the story 'Stone Soup' and making soup. As we will not be eating the soup until 2:00, please be sure to send a regular lunch with your child on that day as well. Our class is looking for a couple of large crock pots to borrow for that day. If you have a large crock-pot that you don't mind us borrowing, please let your teacher know. Thank you!

**Thanksgiving School Celebration:**

We will be having a Thanksgiving school celebration on Thursday, October 6th in the gym at 10:45am. Parents and siblings are always welcome to attend!

**Halloween:**

We will be celebrating Halloween activities on the afternoon of Monday, October 31st. More information to follow.

**Scholastic Book Orders:**

Feel free to order books through Scholastic Online this year.

**Home Reading:**

This month I am again looking for 10 reading tickets by Monday, October 31st. Each reading ticket is worth 30 minutes of at-home reading. Read! Read! Read!

**School Pictures:**

We will be having school pictures taken at HFS on October 12 at 1:45 pm.

**Core Curriculum:**

**Language Arts:** This month in L.A., we will be journal writing, writing responses to our read-aloud: *Third Grade Angels* and working on poetry. We will focus on students writing complete sentences with proper capitalization, punctuation and sentence structure. In reading, students have been choosing "good-fit" books and reading literature of their interest and at their personal reading level. I have also assigned students books to read on our EPIC online reading program. Students can access books at their levels on this website from home as well. As a class, we will also be reviewing our short and long vowel sounds; as well as blends and digraphs.

**Math:** - We will continue to work in the number concepts unit this month. We are learning to represent and rename numbers to 1000 with numerals, words, pictures and base ten blocks. We will eventually cover place value up to 100 000.

Please try to play some cards or dice games with your child at home. Crib, Yahtzee and Snakes and Ladders are great games to play. The students have also learned to play Junk It, Come to Order, Pickle and 10 Up.

**Science:** - We will be continuing with our Rocks and Minerals unit. Students are comparing rock similarities and differences, learning about the properties of rocks and recognising rock composition. We had fun making cookies and learning how they change with heat and pressure.

**Social:** - Once we have completed our Mapping Unit, we will begin learning about the 4 countries of **Peru, Tunisia, Ukraine and India** in the grade 3 curriculum. Our class will take an imaginary flight to each country and learn about their quality of life, customs/traditions, services, land and resources. We will also have a special project culminating the learning about each country. The first country that we will be learning about is the country of **Peru**. Our flight to Peru will take place during the first few weeks of October. Bon Voyage!

Have a fantastic month!  
The Grade 3 Team