

Grade 3H December Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Wow! We are heading into a busy and exciting month at school. There are many important events planned, so please take note of the dates and times.

Just a reminder to send your child to school with warm outer clothing (hats, mitts, scarves and toques) in the cold weather.



Please send a small gift bag to school ASAP for a special Christmas surprise!!!

Please also send a mug to school for the months of December and January with your child, if they would like to participate in our <u>Hot Chocolate Cafe</u>. Students will be sipping hot chocolate and reading by our classroom fireplace on cold winter days during "Read to Self" in 3H.

Christmas Holiday Market:

We will once again be having our Holiday Market at HFS> We are collecting gently used toys, books, household items, etc at our school. On December 7th, students will be "shopping" for their family Christmas gifts from these items. All items will be selling for \$1 each. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be going to families in our community in need at Christmas, the Cancer Society and Saving Grace.

Christmas Holidays

The last day of classes is December 23rd. Christmas break is from <u>December 24th to January 9th.</u>



<u>Celebrations</u>

PULSE FAITH RETREAT - Thursday, December 1st. Advent Week 3: Dec. 15 10:45- 11:45

December BINGO Home Reading

Great effort on your Reading Program during the month of November! For the short month of December, the grade 3s are going to try something new and different for our home reading. Instead of bringing in reading tickets, we would like each student to try and read a variety of different genres. As your child reads from the writings listed on their reading sheet (coming home), please sign each section. Try to fill all the sections by <u>December 22nd</u> and have your child bring in their completed bing sheet. Read! Read!

December Dress-up Days:

Friday, December 2nd wear RED

Friday, December 9th wear RED and WHITE

Friday, December 16th wear a CHRISTMAS SWEATER

Friday, December 23 wear your PJs to school!



Language Arts

Our classroom focus in Language Arts for the upcoming month will be reading, spelling and writing. The students will continue to write complete and interesting sentences using clausal sentence starters, adjectives, adverbs and new vocabulary.



Math

Currently, in grade 3, we are working on our basic facts unit. Please continue to practice fact families and mental math strategies such as: Making Tens, Doubles, Counting On, Doubles + 1 and Doubles - 1, etc. <u>As discussed at interviews</u>, <u>subtraction number facts to 18 are VERY important during this next unit</u>.

Social

We are currently completing our i-Peru projects in social class. Students will be presenting their i-Peru projects to the class shortly. Next, in Social, we will begin learning about the country of Tunisia. We will be flying from Peru to Tunisia in late December. Please send a special snack for your child. It is a really long flight!!! We will be discussing the quality of life, rights and responsibilities, land and resources, customs/traditions and leadership within Tunisia. Our culminating project for this unit will be to create a Google Presentation on Tunisia!

Science

In Science, we are completing our Rocks and Minerals unit. Soon we will begin the unit on Hearing and Sound. Students will learn about sound waves, how sound travels, the parts of the ear, ways to measure sounds and protecting our hearing from damage.

We wish you and your families a very blessed and safe Christmas Break! May God bless all of you! Mrs. Huddleston

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December BINGO Reading

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A	CEREAL BOX A cereal box, including the list of ingredients	Greeting Cards The front and inside of five different greeting cards	Cozy reading Read with a cup of hot chocolate	Picture Book A picture book to someone younger than you
L	Comics One page of the Sunday comics or a graphic novel	Poetry Five poems from a book of children's poetry	News Article One article from the front page of a newspaper	In the dark Read a book to yourself in the dark with a flashlight
O	Read a story online using an app like Epic!	Library Go to the public library to read!	Grocery Ad All text on a page of a grocery ad	All the items and descriptions on a restaurant menu
U	Recipe A recipe from a recipe book or on the internet	REVERSE! Read a book backwards - start at the end and read to the beginning.	Family Reading Read with a loved one - grandma, grandpa, auntie, uncle, mom or dad!	Magazine An article from a magazine
D	Games! Read the instructions for how to play a board game	Owner's Manual Two pages of an owner's manual for a car, an electrical appliance, or a tool	Listen to Reading Have a parent or older sibling read to you. Are they adding expression in their voice to make the book more interesting?	Action! Read a story and then act it out with your family

<u>Directions</u>: Choose a box and read the text described in the box to an adult. When you're finished, have the adult sign in the box. Bring in your completed BINGO sheet on December 22nd!

Mrs Hudleston