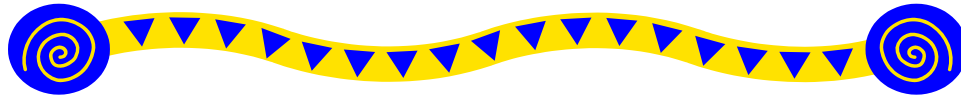


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Third Grade Tidbits

A Look Back...

A Look Ahead...



October 2016

Communication

As always, if you would like to contact your child's teacher, below are the personal email's for each 3rd grade teacher. You can also call during the school hours and we will respond within 24 hours.

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Reading and Writing



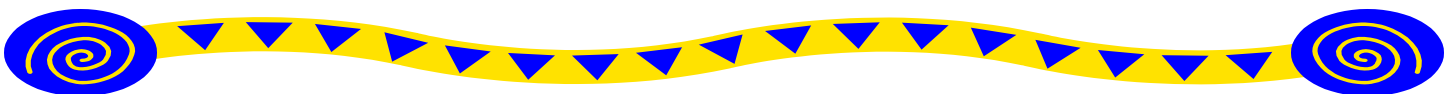
Reading—Students will be transitioning from literature texts to informational text. They will be learning strategies to help them use text features, identify key details and how they support the main idea or central message of the text. Students will continue to complete Daily 5 activities independently when not in guided reading groups.

Math

In math, the students will continue to complete addition and subtraction problems within 1,000 using a variety of strategies. We will then transition to finding the area of rectangles. This will help students transition to multiplication. We will end the month with solving multiplication problems within 100 using a variety of strategies.



Writing— Students have created an “I Pledge” statement for how they will help the community on a given topic. Students will then research and take notes using multiple resources. Then they will use the writing traits to write an informational piece about their topic.

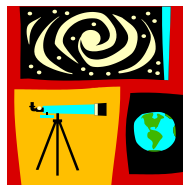


S.S. and Science

SCIENCE –The students will finish testing the cars that they designed. Then using the information they learned about force, motion, speed, friction, and gravity, they will make adjustments to make their car go faster. They have loved designing the cars!



SOCIAL STUDIES –Students will learn how to be citizens in their community and how we should collaborate together to make our community better. We will also explain democratic principles to help us vote for the presidential election!



Resources

TASS—(Thinking and Academic Success Skills) Students will be working on two skills each marking period throughout the year. They are incorporated into various lessons and taught explicitly to students. They will reflect upon their use of them on a regular basis. This marking period, the students will work with collaborate and analyze.

The 6+1 Traits of Writing —This is an approach to writing where the students will work on different aspects of their writing. They will have whole group and small group instruction and then will apply what they learn to their own writing. The traits are: ideas, organization, sentence fluency, word choice, voice and conventions.

Daily 5—This program helps to foster literacy independence during the literacy block. The students will be learning how to rotate from station to station. The stations are: read to self, read to someone, work with words, work on writing and listen to reading.

Reminders:

- **Lunch \$\$ for Accounts**

Cougars of the Month

Cougars Of The Month for September:
Ms. Dymond's Class: Lena King

Ms. Stone's Class: Chelsea Santamaria

Ms. Jansen Van Vuuren's Class: Yadira Melgar



Resources for Home

Helpful resources for Math and Reading

- Xtra Math
- ABCYA.com
- Front Row
- Tumble books
- PebbleGo

Important Dates:

- October 3-No School
- October 12-No School
- October 28-Halloween Parade/Parties

