

Third Grade Newsletter

Week of January 8, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS + REMINDERS

This week we are learning:

Mon. 1/15: No school for MLK Jr. Day

Book Report: January reading logs were sent home this week. Students should read 15-20 minutes most days and fill out the log. Instead of completing a mini-book report on the back, your third grader will complete a more thorough **"story wheel"** book report. [This is the main book report for third grade, so we are giving the students six weeks to complete it.](#) This is a project that will require focused time over several days. On Friday, students brought home the directions and materials for their 2nd trimester book report. We explained the directions and shared samples with the children in class. **Please take the time to read through the assignment, expectations and grading rubric with your child and keep these in a safe place 😊** Book reports are due **February 26th.**

Social Studies Homework: Coming home with your child today is a short assignment about an ancestor who immigrated to the US. **They will need your help on this assignment and it may require a little research.** If you have a picture of the person who immigrate here, please send in a copy of it, so we can add it to our bulletin board. Thanks for your help! It is due next Wednesday, Jan. 17th.

READING: Students use text evidence to write paragraphs supporting a main idea from the selection, **Pop's Bridge.** They also illustrate drawings that show the structure of a suspension bridge. In addition, students will have a chance to build & test the weight-bearing designs of some simple bridges .

LANGUAGE ARTS: We begin a FUN writing project where pretend they are trapped in a snow globe for a day and write a descriptive paragraph about their snow adventures. We will focus on adding good details and using similes/metaphors in our writing.

MATH: We look at fractions as part of a set and fractions on a number line.

RELIGION: We learn about the sacrament of baptism and the baptism of Jesus.

SCIENCE: We continue our unit on weather and climate.

SOCIAL STUDIES: We continue our study of immigration and talk about different reasons someone might move.

Social Studies: We learn about Ellis Island.

Homework

EVERY NIGHT: READ 20 MIN/FILL IN LOG

Most nights students will have a math sheet.

It will be in the red take-home folder and will be written in the student planner.

Spelling Words: itch, wreck, knee, patch, wrap, knot, watch, knife, stretch, write, knew, knock, match, wrong **knuckle

Spelling **homework** is due **Thursday** and the **test will be on Friday.**

Star of the week: Ever
Next Week: No star