

Grade 3 September Newsletter



MATH

We have been busy learning about data collection and graphs!! We have created bar graphs, picture graphs and line plots. We have also been practicing our addition and subtraction facts and are getting ready for our new unit on Multiplication! Please encourage your child to skip count by 2's, 5's and 10's to help them learn their facts!



3, 6, 9, 12...
4, 8, 12...

WRITER'S WORKSHOP

We have started the year with our unit on Personal Narratives. We have been brainstorming people and places that are important to us. We learned about the difference between a watermelon and a seed story and are busy learning about new writing techniques! We are practicing using powerful leads, sensory details, vivid descriptions and dialogue. We will soon have a published story to share!



REMINDERS:

- Homework for the week is due on FRIDAY. Please plan accordingly.
- October 8- No School- Columbus Day
- October 18- Early release Parent Conferences
- October 25- Early release Parent Conferences



READER'S WORKSHOP

We have been busy setting up our reading workshop routines! We learned how to pick books that are interesting and "just right" for us. We are also learning how to read for meaning by asking comprehension questions, visualizing what we are reading and making predictions about what will happen next. We are also working on increasing our reading stamina. We have enjoyed reading Stone Fox and are eagerly awaiting to see what will happen next in our book!

Students are expected to be reading 20 minutes a day as they continue to work on fluency and comprehension strategies. Students should be practicing their reading at home daily.



"How the World Works"

We have been busy experimenting with forces and discovering how friction and gravity affect objects! We have conducted experiments with magnets and have been learning about the scientific methods and the steps involved in testing a hypothesis. We are drawing conclusions and displaying our results through diagrams and explanations.



If you haven't already signed up for a conference, please contact your child's teacher to arrange a meeting to discuss your child's progress!