

# Third Grade Thoughts

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Parent Newsletter – February 2019

# WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

### <u>Literacy:</u>

**<u>Reading</u>** – The students will recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures. They will also be determining the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.

<u>Writing</u> - Students will learn how to answer an extended response question.

**Vocabulary** – Students will be using Wordly Wise in class. They will be assessed on their words each Friday.

#### Math:

The students will continue to work on Chapter 11, finding and modeling perimeter and area.

#### <u>Social Studies:</u>

The students will begin their journey through China and take a closer look at the history, culture, geography, and people of China.

#### <u>Technology:</u>

During the month of February, your child will be focusing their navigation skills using their prior practice of keyboarding and mouse expertise, along with proper use of the Internet. We will be using online tools to help maximize these skills. Along the way, we will work on integrating their literacy and mathematical skills, ensuring that all our students maximize their learning with hands on opportunities to succeed. We will also be continuing to learn about Microsoft Word and how to find information about a topic using online resources.



## What's New in Music and Art?

**Ms. Granatelli:** During the month of February, students will explore creating collages. They will also continue learning about and exploring the "Elements of Design". **Mr. Cintula:** We are moving forward in our exploration of folk

songs from around the world and will also learn a Valentine song or two as well.

**Ms. LaMorte:** Students will begin study of Soprano Recorder, new note B with music selection and possibly note A with music selection.

## \*IMPORTANT DATES

<u>2/5</u> – Lunar New Year – No School

2/10 - Sweetheart Dance, 2 to 5pm - Tickets on sale now

<u>2/13</u> – PTA Meeting, 7:00pm

2/14 - 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School

2/18-2/22 - Midwinter Recess - No School

# News/Information/Tips/Reminders

- Continue to practice all multiplication facts (0-12).
- Review your content-based and math vocabulary daily.
- Be sure to use text-based evidence when answering all types of questions, such as multiple choice, short answers, and extended response questions.
- Work on using mathematical language in written mathematical explanations.

"The statewides will be here before you know it! Continue to work your hardest and try your best!"

-Ms. Udin, Ms. A. Bollini, Ms. Grissler, Ms. Walsh, Ms. Doran and Ms. Sconzo

#### PTA News

Thank you to all our Kindergarten cuties who showed us their favorite season's fashions in our Four Season Fashion Show! These kids owned the stage and put on a great show! On Sunday, February 10th the PTA will be hosting a "Sweetheart Dance" from 2-5pm. So be sure to invite your favorite sweetheart and come ready to party! Our next PTA meeting will be February 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm, we hope to see you there! Thank you for supporting our school.

## A Note From Ms. Ponzi



February certainly brings about thoughts of love and happiness-and I truly LOVE Petrides and all of our families. Thank you for your continued support and for volunteering your time in our school, it really makes our school such a special place. This month, our Kindergarten cuties walked the runway at the Fashion Show modeling their most adorable outfits. Thank you to the PTA for coordinating this awesome event. Please take note of all of the upcoming events planned for this month. We look forward to seeing you there.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at <u>JCaputo9@schools.nyc.gov</u>.

Sincerely, Ms. Ponzi

Dear Families,

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