

Third Grade Thoughts

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Parent Newsletter – January 2019



WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Literacy:

Reading -

Students will be identifying the main idea of a text and be able to support the main idea with key details from the text.

Writing - Students will continue writing their informational pieces on a topic of their choice.

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

Math:

We will begin Chapter 6, called "Understand Division". Facts and Strategies". Students will learn how to represent and solve word problems using different division strategies.

Social Studies:

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

Science:

The students will continue learning about Force and Motion.

Technology:

During the month of January, 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: Students will start the new year with participating in the visual art component of our school's performing arts program. The students begin with learning about and exploring the "Elements of Design".

Mr. Cintula: We are singing seasonal folk music from around the world through our textbook series the Music Connection grade three. We are singing together and solo as well as working with percussion instruments and techniques on various songs.

Ms. LaMorte: Students will complete new trimester items, complete tonal and rhythm assessment, read/apply duple rhythms with proper mallet work on the Orff Barred Instruments, and begin study of soprano recorder.

*IMPORTANT DATES

1/1 - Happy New Year! No school

1/2 - First day back to school from Winter Break

1/15 - Parents as Partners Engagement on Test Preparation, 2:20pm

1/16 - PAWS Awards, 6:30pm

1/16 - PTA General Membership Meeting, 7:00pm

1/21 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No school



News/Information/Tips/Reminders

- Review your multiplication facts (0-12) daily.
- 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.

"Looking forward to a successful new year of learning!"

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PTA News

The PTA would like to thank everyone that came and supported our holiday fair. Please join us this month for PTA meeting January 16th at 7:00pm and the 9th Annual Kindergarten Fashion Show on Thursday, January 24th at 7:00pm.

A Note From Ms. Ponzi

Dear Families,

I would like to wish all of you a very Happy New Year! So many fabulous things happened here at Petrides in 2018 and I thank each and every one of you for your continued support. The building was filled with parents in December for holiday workshops, shopping at the fair and singing holiday songs. Please continue to join us at upcoming Parents as Partners events in the New Year. We look forward to an even better 2019!

Please continue to dress your child for the changing of the seasons, as we are committed to sending the children outside for recess, weather permitting. Thank you for all that you do and we are looking forward to a happy and healthy New Year with you all.

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi

