



Third Grade Thoughts

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Parent Newsletter – June 2018

WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Literacy:

Reading – Readers will read informative texts to develop opinions about current issues. They will discuss their point of view and the author’s point of view during Socratic Seminar.

Vocabulary – Each week the students will receive vocabulary words that relate to our unit of study. They will be assessed on those words each Friday.

Writing – Our 3rd grade writers will identify their point of view on a topic and write an opinion piece.

Math:

The students will review all math skills learned throughout the year: multiplication, division, fractions, area, perimeter, and multi-step word problems.

Social Studies:

The students will continue studying Italy this month. We will study how culture, history, geography, people, and government affect communities in Italy.

Technology:

Your child will continue practicing their keyboarding and mouse skills, typing, resources used for research, and proper use of the Internet. 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. In the month of June we will be focusing on typing skills. We will also be introduced to Microsoft Word and learning how to find information about a topic using online resources.

What’s New in Music and Art?

Ms. Granatelli: During the month of June students will be learning about working with modeling clay.

Mr. Cintula: We are continuing to work on folk music from around the world in our 3rd grade level book and are learning basic keyboard skills. Also, we are exploring basic percussion section accompaniment to our repertoire of textbook songs.

Ms. LaMorte: Students will secure recorder notes B and A, learn new note G on recorder, learn new recorder piece for notes B, A, and G, work in 3 groups with new combinable piece for Harmonic Concepts, learn 2 dances, identify/apply lines and spaces of music staff, and keep steady beat in Duple rhythm activity in 2 groups.

*IMPORTANT DATES

6/7 – Chancellor’s Day, No School for Students

6/11 – Clerical Day, No School for Students

6/13 – Rescheduled Spirit Day

6/15 – Eid al-Fitr, School Closed

6/19 – PTA Hosting Carnival

6/26 – Last Day of School, Half-Day 11:20am dismissal

News/Information/Tips/Reminders

- Continue to come to school prepared each day with supplies and homework assignments completed.
- 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.
- *****Check our instagram and twitter pages:**
Twitter – @PetridesSchool
Instagram – mjpetrides school



“The best way to predict the future is create it.”

--Abraham Lincoln

“It has been a wonderful year. Good luck in your future endeavors!”

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Our Social – Emotional Learning...

This year was our first year of incorporating Sanford Harmony, our Social Emotional Learning curriculum into our classrooms. The students and teachers loved this new addition. It is a program designed to cultivate strong classroom relationships and supportive learning communities. It creates a classroom where students are empowered to connect, communicate, collaborate, embrace diversity, and resolve conflict. This summer, think about choosing books from the attached book list to read with your child(ren).

A Note From Ms. Ponzi

Dear Petrides Families,

Time really does fly at Petrides! I cannot believe how fast this year has gone. May was a busy month with much to celebrate. I would like to thank everyone who came out to all of our special events, especially our moms! Elementary Spirit Week was a success with students racking up points for participating in each theme day. We would like to thank the PTA for the delicious watermelons that they donated for our students to enjoy. June is a month jam packed with celebrations and end of year events. Please join us as often as you possibly can.

It was my pleasure working with all of you this school year. Please enjoy your summer vacation and I look forward to seeing you all in September!

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi

