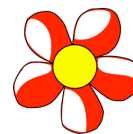


Third Grade Thoughts

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WHAT ARE WE STUDYING?

Literacy:

Reading – Readers will account stories including character actions and how they contribute to the sequence. They will also recount stories using text-based details to understand the central message, lesson, or theme.

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 – Writers will write a narrative using their mentor texts as guides.

Math:

The students will begin Chapter 12 – Geometry: Two-Dimensional Shapes. The mathematical concepts that are covered during this unit are plane shapes, angles in plane shapes, polygons, triangles, and quadrilaterals.

Social Studies:

The students will begin studying Africa. We will study how culture, history, geography, people, and government affect communities in Africa.

Science:

This month the students will be learning about weather.

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 May 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 May students will complete their self-portrait and move on to learning about collage techniques.

Mr. Cintula: We are continuing to work on folk music from around the world in our 3rd grade level book.

Ms. LaMorfe: Students will begin study of Soprano recorder, learn notes B and A with proper playing techniques, and read/play 2 new pieces of music.

*IMPORTANT DATES

5/1 & 5/2 – NYS Math Exams

5/14 – 5/23 – Our schools' *Annual Student Art*

Exhibition: Students who participated in 2017-18 visual arts classes have their artwork exhibited in C-building hallways (i.e. hallways located closest to the auditorium entrance).

5/23 – Street Fair, 5-8pm – Parents are invited to meet the staff.

5/28 – Memorial Day – No School

News/Information/Tips/Reminders

- April showers bring May flowers. Lets continue to bloom this month by continuing to read each night from a variety of genres and practicing our multiplication facts 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.
- Work on using mathematical language in written mathematical explanations.
- ***Check our instagram and twitter pages:
Twitter – @PetridesSchool
Instagram – mjpetrides school

Happy
Mother's
Day!

"Testing time is here! Continue to stay focused and show all that you know!"

*-Ms. Udin, Ms. A. Bollini, Ms. Grissler,
Ms. Sconzo, Ms. Doran and Ms. Hession*

Our Social - Emotional Learning...



This month we will be focusing on Peer Relationships. This work will encourage supportive interactions and friendships among classmates. Our students will participate in activities to consider the qualities important to friendship, to develop strategies for minimizing the costs associated with cross-gender friendships, to learn effective responses for dealing with bullying situations, and to practice providing peers with support.

A Note From Ms. Ponzi



Hello Petrides Families,

Spring has sprung-hopefully everyone can get outside and enjoy that sunshine!! The feeling of excitement is in the air as we near the end of our school year, let's make sure to stay focused and bright until then.

We would like to commend our dedicated 3rd and 4th graders for their hard work and commitment with preparing for the NYS ELA test. We would like to wish them luck for this week's upcoming NYS Math test as well.

We look forward to all of the exciting culminating events that are quickly approaching. Please mark your calendars and save the dates accordingly. I can't wait to celebrate with you all.

Sincerely,
Ms. Ponzi

