

News from Third Grade

October 2009



News from Your ILA Teacher

Writing- Students have been very active and excited writing personal narratives about small moments that have happened in their lives.

Word Study- Students were assessed at the beginning of the year and put into spelling groups according to his/her strengths and weaknesses. Thank you for helping each night with your child's homework.

Reading Strategies- Students have been working on making meaningful text connections and making predictions before and during reading. Continue to monitor your child's reading at home, asking questions to check for comprehension about story elements: characters, setting, problem, events, and solution.

A Math Update

- The first cluster, Place Value is complete!
- The second cluster is Patterns and Number Relationships-adding and subtracting. Ask your child about what hands-on math manipulatives they might be using to learn addition and subtraction!
- Please refer to the County Math letter for more specific benchmarks and helpful home ideas that match the cluster.
- Math fact folders should be home by now. Please practice the facts a couple times a week, especially if there has not been any math homework assigned for that evening.



Social Studies or Science?

◇ We will finish our first Social Studies unit, Econ and Me in the next week. Be sure to look for a study guide. There will be a culminating Econ Fair in November. Look for more information in the future.

◇ Mrs. Reitz, Ms. Hohlfeld, and Ms. King's classes will be working on Physical Science as their first Science unit.

◇ Ms. Davidson and Mrs. Cage's classes will be working on Living Things as their first Science unit.

Just A Reminder...

- Our first field trip will be to the Utz Potato Chip Factory in Hanover, PA. Permission slips will be sent home this week.
- A note was sent home explaining the parent conference days. Please call the office to sign up for one conference evening if you have not already done so. The first conference night on October 12th and is by invitation only.
- BookIt! Starts October 1st!
- There is no school on October 16th.
- First marking period is over October 29th.
- October 29th is an early dismissal day!