

Grade 1-3 Newsletter

November 5, 2018

This newsletter will take us to Thanksgiving break. I will send out the next newsletter on November 20th.

Math

Grade 1: Basic facts to 20; Count by ones and tens to 120

Grade 2: Equal groups; Repeated addition; Break apart ones to add; Use compensation; Break apart addends as tens and ones

Grade 3:

T: Patterns on a multiplication table; Multiply with 8, 9; Describe patterns; Find unknown factors; Use the distributive property

C: Time to the minute; A.M. and P.M.; Measure time intervals; Use time intervals; Time intervals/problem solving

Language Arts

Story: *Teacher's Pets*

Genre: Realistic fiction

1st graders

Skill: Understand characters

We will make a character map.

Strategy: Summarize

Phonics: Review short a; Double Final Consonants and ck; Phonogram -ack

Grammar: Complete sentences

Spelling words: an, bad, can, had, cat, ran

2nd graders

Skill: Story Structure

We will make a story chart.

Phonics: Consonant Blends with r, l, s

Grammar: Singular and plural nouns

Vocabulary Strategies: Base words and Endings -ed, -ing

Spelling words: spin, clap, grade, swim, place, last, test, skin, drag, glide, just, stage

3rd graders

Skill: Story structure

We will make a story chart.

Phonics: Words with ier, ir, ur, or

Grammar: Forming the past tense

Vocabulary Strategies:

Spelling words: nurse, work, shirt, hurt, first, word, serve, curly, dirt, third, worry, turn, stir, firm

Chapter Book:

Tuesdays at the Castle by: Jessica Day George

Project: Medieval Times (Middle Ages in Europe)

We are working on our play, *Sword in the Stone*. Each student has a part in the play. If you are not going to be at the Winter Program please let me know ASAP.

Thursday STEM: Pop-Up paper; Game on

General Information

Wednesday is Patriotic Day. Please come dressed to honor your country. We will have an assembly first thing in the morning.

Our class is collecting food for the Good Samaritan. The food drive starts November 12th and ends November 20th. There will be a box in the foyer.

Cedarhurst Center for Arts will be visiting our class on November 13th. We will be making a Byzantine medallion.

On November 14th we will begin our adventure in making a cardboard castle. Hopefully the weather cooperates and we are outside. If you have any large boxes that you would like to donate please bring them to the office.

November 20th is the CNS feast. Our class will be making beef stew and fruit salad. Please note that everyone is invited to the feast. Please bring a canned good to donate and a dish to share. There will be a sign up sheet in the cafeteria. Parents can come and read with your child at 10:30 and the feast will begin at 11:00. This will be a noon dismissal with no childcare.

REPEATED INFORMATION

The all school song for the Winter Program will be "I Just Can't Wait to be King" from the Disney movie *The Lion King*. We will be practicing every week until the December production. This winter program will be at SIU, Quigley Hall, at 6:30pm. Please let me know if your child will not be there. It is important since our class is doing a play.

If you have a relative that has been a service to the government please send in a picture. We are going to make a board honoring all of our service men and women.

The playground is in need of boards for the fort area. If you have access to some and would like to donate please contact Courtney in the office.

We are looking for a family that would be interested in video recording the Winter Program. We would like to sell the videos as a fundraiser. Contact Courtney if interested.

Calendar of Events:

November 7: Patriotic Day-Honor your country by wearing their colors!

November 10: Work Day

November 12: No School

Food drive begins/Ends November 20

November 13: Cedarhurst visits CNS

November 14: Castle Park field trip

November 20: 10:30 Read with your child

11:00 Feast

12:00 Dismissal

November 21-23: No School

Classroom Wish List

Electric pencil sharpener

Gallon Ziploks

Quart Ziploks