

TEAM 3 OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

The third graders have had a busy September. We have already been on our first field trip. Our trip to Morrill Hall gave us a great introduction to our dinosaur unit that will be taught later this year. The students are learning to be more responsible with their math and reading homework, now that both come home every week. They are logging their reading minutes and remembering to get that “all important” parent signature. Free Time Friday and the Treasure Box are always the highlights of the week.

We have completed the first two chapters in math and are nearly finished with the third. The students have discussed places through the hundred thousands and their values. They can round to the greatest place and are working on adding larger numbers. Addition and subtraction time tests have begun. It was a long summer and any additional help you can provide your child to help them learn their basic facts would be greatly appreciated.

Theme 1 in reading is almost over. The students will be taking their first theme test next week. We have reviewed all of their reading strategies with a focus on predicting and inferring. Have your child read with you and make some predictions that they can support with details from the reading. We have set our spelling guidelines and our writing procedures. It is great to finally be set in our routine.

The last 45 minutes of the day are devoted to Unit Studies. This group of students is the first to use our new supplies. They are enjoying writing on the maps and globes. Ask your child to tell you the meaning of Social Studies and Community. They should also be able to describe the different parts of the map.

The third grade teachers are having fun learning about all of our new third graders. It is going to be a great year!!