



# HES 3rd Grade Newsletter



Week of February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## Mark Your Calendars

- **Snow Make-up Day-** Friday February 17<sup>th</sup>
- **Teacher Workday-** Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>
- **Buddy's Dinner, Book Fair & Multicultural Night –** Tuesday February 21<sup>st</sup> @ 5:30
- **Solar System Spectacular–**Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>
- **½ day of school –** Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

## This Week in Math

We just wrapped up our multiplication and division unit. We will now move on to a mini CMS unit, which is an introduction to area. Area is when you multiply the length and width of an object to find the area of space inside. Students will also be using tiled squares to find area of objects. This unit still works closely with multiplication so if your child is still struggling with memorizing their fast facts, this would be a great time to help them catch up. This mini unit will last about 2 weeks.  
*Please continue practicing basic (0–10) multiplication facts with your child at home.*

## This Week in Language Arts

This week we are moving on from learning about different types of genres and focusing on one specific type: Folktales. Folktales encompass fables, myths, legends, tall tales and fairy tales. We will be looking at the characteristics of each and of course be reading various examples of each folktale as well. Do you have a favorite folktale you would like to share with your child at home?

In writing students are doing research independently or with a partner on a country for the Multicultural Fair.

**No Vocabulary this week. We will resume Vocabulary the following week, February 20<sup>th</sup>.**

*Keep sending in those  
Box Tops!*

## Homework by subject:

### Literacy:

- Read 30 minutes and record on Reading Log
- Word Work- 3 menu activities due Friday

### Math:

- Study multiplication “fast facts” nightly. Excel sheet and SAB pages and/or teacher choice as assigned

## Solar System Spectacular?

We are excited to announce that the Discovery Place is bringing an on campus outreach program to us on **Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**. They will be teaching us about the solar system in our classrooms and then we will have a chance to experience it ourselves with an inflatable planetarium! We will be able see constellations, planets and other objects in the night sky. The cost of the program is \$3.00, please turn in your money ASAP. Thank you so much! We look forward to this opportunity for hands-on learning.

## Helpful Internet Websites

At conferences each family received a piece of paper that has their child's MAP scores on them. Below are two very useful websites, one for reading and one for math. If you click on the links, you will find MAP score ranges. By clicking on the range that your child is in (or one above the range they are in), they will be brought to other various websites with games and activities that will introduce them to information they may encounter on their next MAP test. *For example, if your child scores a 197 on their math MAP, they will click on the 191 – 200 & 200 – 210 range ☺*

[MAP Math](#)

[MAP Reading](#)

## Homework Expectations

Students will be expected to complete homework each night. The suggested time frame for an average student's completion of homework for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is **45-60 minutes**, plus an additional **30 minutes** for nightly reading. **Please initial your child's agenda each night at the bottom** and sign their Reading Log for nightly reading. Thank you!