

HES 3rd Grade Newsletter



Week of March 6th, 2017

Mark Your Calendars

- "Keep It Moving" On Campus Discovery Place Program – Monday March 13th & Tuesday March 14th
- Spring Individual Pictures Wednesday, March 15th
- Quarter 3 ends Thursday, March 30th
- Teacher Workday Friday, March 31st

This Week in Language Arts

This week we are focusing on Fairytales. We will retell fairytales in sequential order, determine the central message, leson or moral of the stories. We will also discuss how the author expresses the central message, lesson or moral. Ask your child how they know that their story is a fairytale or ask him/her how the story would be different if told from another character.

We are still experiencing school wide Power Writes except they won't be at the same time each day, how exciting! 3rd grade teachers have come up with specific prompts to help increase our writing fluency. We are working on finishing our graphic organaizers and writing our own puersuasive essay.

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

This Week in Math

We started Unit 7 on Fractions. Students will be learning that fractions represent a part of a whole or part of a set. The main fractions we will be working with are halves, thirds, fourths, sixths and eighths. This past week we have made fraction models and practiced dividing a shape into equal parts. We will also be covering equivalent fractions, fractions on a number line and comparing fractions.

Please continue practicing basic (0–10) multiplication facts with your child at home.

Vocabulary "Julius The baby of the World"

Quiz Friday 3-10

doubtful- uncertain or unsure

nifty – very good, clever, or useful

ghastly - horrible

dazzle – amaze or impress

quiver – tremble or shake

command – order someone to do something

We really enjoyed having the **Discovery Place Outreach Program** come to our school and bringing a planetarium to us. We were able to get a closer look our neighboring planets and even experience other galaxies!

The permission slip went home today for "Keep it Moving", our next Discovery Outreach Program. It is \$6.00. Please send money in next week. This program will teach the students about the skeletal and muscular system which we are learning about right now in science.

Online Learning

Here at HES, we are fortunate enough to have access to numerous online resources and we now have enough Chrome books for each student to have access to one during class. We try to incorporate 21st Century learning into our classrooms as much as possible and this includes using Google Classroom, Google Docs and various educational websites. We would like to emphasize that while not all assignments are given on hardcopies, these assignments are all required. Online assignments are expected to be completed. They are not optional just because they are online. Thank you for supporting us and helping to ensure your child is completing these assignments.

Homework Expectations

Students will be expected to complete homework each night. The suggested time frame for an average student's completion of homework for 3rd 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!