



HES 3rd Grade Newsletter



Week of April 17th, 2017

Mark Your Calendars

- 1st day of Spring Break – Friday, April 7th
- Spring Break – April 7th – 16th
- Report Cards go home – Tuesday, April 18th
- 3rd Quarter Awards & Buddy's Best – Wednesday, April 19th @ 7:45 in gym. All parents are invited
- Volunteer Breakfast – Thursday, April 20th
- Spring Picture Money Due – Friday, April 21st
- Early release @ 11:45am – Wednesday, April 26th
- EOY TRC Testing window opens – Thursday, April 27th
- Yearbook Orders Due – Friday, April 28th
- NWEA MAP Math test – Friday, April 28th 8:30am – 10:30am
- NWEA MAP Reading test – Monday, May 1st 8:30am – 10:30am
- EOG Reading – Wednesday, May 24th
- EOG Math – Thursday, May 25th

This Week in Language Arts

When we return from Spring Break we will be learning all about Poetry! Did you know that April is National Poetry month? We will be learning about the parts of poetry and poetry comprehension. We will be looking at different types of poetry and even writing our own!

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

Upon returning from Spring Break, we will be doing a CMS Word Problem mini-unit in class. We will be sending home Investigations Unit 8 as a homework contract. It will be due Friday, May 5th. In our mini-unit we will be working with multi-step word problems using all four operations (multiplication, division, addition, subtraction). We will be learning how to decompose and comprehend word problems. We will also write equations and correctly solve for the answer.

Please continue practicing basic (0–10) multiplication facts

Vocabulary A Day's Work Quiz Friday 4-21

shuffle- slide the feet along the ground or floor while walking

swarm- a large group of people or insects that gather or move together

urgent- very important

motion - tell someone something through a movement of the hand, head, or other part of the body

wind- twist and turn

prowl - move quietly or secretly, trying not to be seen or heard

'Tis the Testing Season

As you know, are alot of important tests coming up. These tests are important and we want to ensure that all students are present at school these days to prevent excessive make-up testing. We still have a handful of third graders who have yet to meet a Read to Achieve benchmark. These tests are especially important for those students as we are hoping they can achieve one or more before the EOGs. Please help your child be successful by ensuring they get a good night's sleep, have a healthy breakfast and come prepared with everything they need to be successful on our testing days ☺ We believe in them!

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!