



HES 3rd Grade Newsletter



Week of April 3rd, 2017

Mark Your Calendars

- **Mile of Quarters Special Olympics Fundraiser** – continuing through the week of April 3rd – 6th
- **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
- **Early release @ 11:45am** – Wednesday, April 26th

This Week in Language Arts

This week we are continuing Cycle 5. We are reading mystery novels and learning the elements of a mystery. We are acting as detectives as we try to figure out the problem or solve the crime before the characters in the books! In order to do that we must be careful readers! Students are paying attention to detail, making predictions and inferences and analyzing our characters. We love this cycle!

In writing students are working on writing their own mystery story using a graphic organizer.

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 wrapped up our Fractions Unit last week and we are revisiting area and perimeter. We are finding the area of irregular figures (figures not in square/rectangle form). Students will divide the figure into rectangles and then solve to find the area. This mini-unit will only be covered the week before spring break. Returning from break, we will be working on solving multistep word problems.

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

Vocabulary "The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses"

Quiz Friday 4-6

belongings-the things someone owns, or the things that belong to someone

faint-not clear or strong; difficult to hear, see, or smell

cling-hold onto someone or something very tightly

roam-wander or move about without any particular purpose or place to go

joyful-full of joy or very happy

sorrowful-full of sorrow or very sad

Dress Code for Warmer Weather

We are all very excited that it is finally warming up and starting to feel like spring! We want to remind you that though the weather may be warmer, students need to be following the dress code. Please make sure shorts are fingertip length (*down to the tip of their longest finger*), all straps must be at least two finger widths and all open toed shoes need to have a strap across the back of the heel. Please refer to page 9 in your child's agenda if you have any questions about what is appropriate for your child to wear to school. Thank you ☺

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!