



3/4 Unit Newsletter

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The 3/4 teachers would like to thank you for your salt dough donations last month. Our maps turned out great!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, 11/2– NED Assembly 9AM

Wednesday, 11/7– Middle school musical performance for students, 1:30

Friday 11/16– Early Release at 1:00 Hat Day– Bring \$1 donation for Sting Cancer! Proceeds benefit members of our Aldo community!

Thursday-Friday, 11/22-23– NO SCHOOL

What We're Studying

READING: We are moving into informational reading. This unit is called "Reading the Weather, Reading the World." Third and fourth grade readers will be learning from various types of texts, launching a whole-class research project, evaluating sources, and more!

WRITING: Personal and persuasive essays are what third and fourth grade writers are beginning to work on. We will be creating opinions and then supporting them with research-based facts. Our reading and writing will tie together as we learn from authors how to craft persuasive writing with a strong base in factual information.

MATH: *Third graders* are wrapping up an introduction to multiplication. There are many different strategies and models for finding the product of a multiplication equation! Mathematicians are encouraged to solve problems in multiple different ways instead of simply memorizing a fact.

Unit 3 will take us through to winter break and will bring back a focus on multi-digit addition and subtraction, as well as rounding and estimating.

Fourth graders are working through their second unit with multi-digit multiplication and early division. Just like the third graders, fourth grade mathematicians are flexibly solving multiplication problems with multiple methods!

We will be transitioning toward fractions and decimals in Unit 3, including equivalent fractions and comparing fractions and decimals.

We'd like to welcome Katherine Gage as our new 4th grade math teacher! She will be taking over Kristen's math group and will be starting November 12.