

"Grade Three News"





January Issue

Dear Parents,

Happy 2020! I trust you all had a marvelous Christmas and New Year and that you enjoyed some special times with family and friends. Coming back to school after an extended holiday can be challenging for young children. The time before Christmas was extra busy and some of our regular activities were changed to make way for seasonal events. Now that the New Year has arrived, our days will be built around the pre-Christmas routines that gave our students a strong structure for learning and growing. Thank you for all of your cards, kind notes and gifts during the holiday season! Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Also, thank you to those of you who provided the class with snacks for our Christmas party!

Here's a quick view of Grade Three in December







































What We Will Be Learning

This month our theme will be **WINTER**. We will be learning winter vocabulary, reading many stories and poems, and we will also expand our writing abilities throughout this theme. We will continue to develop the written language with the use of journal writing, poetry and story writing. We will also continue to work on organizing our written work, using descriptive vocabulary to add details and voice, and improve our abilities to edit our writing using strategies such as C.O.P.S. As well, we have started a novel study for "Owls in the Family." In Math, we will begin our Data Analysis unit and then start the Addition and Subtraction unit. In Science, we will continue to learn about Hearing and Sound, and in Social we will continue learning about India and begin our unit on Global Citizenship!

**ALL students benefit from extra reading activities. Please remember to continue reading daily with your child to help improve their reading fluency, expression and decoding skills, as well as, their comprehension abilities.

Here are a few suggestions:

- Encourage your child to help you read, organize and prepare a recipe.
- Keep a few books in your car that your child can read while travelling from place to place.
- Record your child or yourself as you read a favorite book, listen to the reading, and ask questions to support your child's comprehension of the text.

Scholastic Book Orders

New Scholastic book order forms have been sent home this month. Cheques are payable to (Scholastic Canada LTD.). They DO NOT accept cash. You can now also order and pay online. Please note that the January issue is due back on Friday, January 17th.



Clay for Kids/Beaverhill Bird Observatory Fieldtrips — On Friday, January 24th we have planned an in-school fieldtrip with Clay for Kids Workshop for the grade three students where they will be making Masks from Peru. Our class will be making their masks from 10:15 — 11:30 a.m. on this day. On Monday, January 20th we have planned an in-school fieldtrip with Beaverhill Bird Observatory where we will have a visit from a live owl and participate in activities that will help us learn more about owls. Our class will be visiting with the owl from 9:45 — 10:45 a.m. on this day. The fieldtrip form for these in-school fieldtrips will be sent home and is due back to school with the payment of \$19.00 on Wednesday, January 15th. Thank you!

Important Dates to Remember

Jan. 6th - First Day Back!

Jan. 8th - Hot Lunch

Jan. 17th - BOOK ORDERS DUE

Jan. 20th - Beaverhill Bird Observatory In-School Fieldtrip - Owl Visit (9:45 - 10:45 a.m.)

Jan. 22nd - Hot Lunch

Jan. 24th - Clay for Kids In-School Fieldtrip (10:15 - 11:30 a.m.)

Jan. 31st - NO SCHOOL - PD Day

Best wishes for a great 2020!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	Back to School	7	HOT LUNCH	9	Parks' Birthday!	11
12	13	14	15	16	*BOOK ORDERS DUE*	18
19	9:45 - 10:45 William's Birthday!	21	HOT LUNCH	23	24 Clay & Kids 10:15 - 11:30 PERUVAN MASK	25
26	27	28	29	30	NO SCHOOL PD DAY	