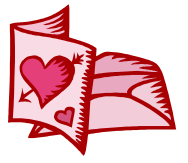




"Grade Three News"



February Issue

Dear Parents,

January has come and gone and it has been a productive month with plenty of learning. It is hard to believe that half of our year is already over! February will be a short and busy month for us. Our themes will be **FAMILY**, **FRIENDS** and **VALENTINES**. This month will also be an assessment month, as the next report card will be going home in March. This is an exciting time when we see such growth! Please continue to read with your child and it is also important to ask them various questions about their reading. This will assist with their reading comprehension. Hopefully the groundhog won't see his shadow and spring will be here soon. I hope your children enjoy their time off while we are at Teacher's Convention learning new information and ideas to improve your child's school learning experience.

Here's a quick view of Grade Three in January



What We Will Be Learning

This month we will be working with new vocabulary while using various resources such as the dictionary and thesaurus. We will also continue reading many different types of text and practice the use of higher level reading comprehension strategies. We will also finish our novel study for "Owls in the Family." We will continue to expand our writing abilities by writing short stories based on various prompts and improving our organizational, revising and editing skills. We will also focus on summarizing and retelling stories by describing characters, setting, important events, problems and solutions in various text forms.

In Math, we will continue our Addition and Subtraction unit, in Science we will finish up our Hearing and Sound unit, and in Social we will start learning about Ukraine and how to be Global Citizens!



Scholastic Book Orders

New Scholastic book order forms are being sent home this month. Remember to encourage your child to select his/her own books and return the coupon and money to school before the due date that is written on the order form. Cheques are payable to (Scholastic Canada LTD.). They DO NOT accept cash. You can now also order and pay online. Please note that the February issue is due back on Wednesday, February 12th.



Special Classroom Days



- Valentine's Day Reading and Eating Party - on Friday, February 14th we will be having a Valentine's Party! We will open up our Valentine's Day cards, read them, play some Valentine literacy and math games, and then we will have our special snack.



The children will be making Valentine Mailboxes, so Valentine's Cards can be sent to school. The exchange of Valentines is optional. If you are planning to send in cards, please try to have them at school before/on February 13th so your child does not miss out on any of the party while delivering Valentines! All students are invited to dress up in red and white clothes for the party. Could the following students please bring in a snack for the party?



Leland - vegetable tray
Kali - fruit tray
Mims - dessert
Marcus - cheese and crackers
Nathan - chips and dip
Mya - special drink



Here is a class list in alphabetical order for making Valentines (26 students in total):

Aaliyah, Alex, Ally, Bailey, Benjamin, Brady, Braelyn, Brooklyn, Carson, Emmett, Ethan, Jack, Kali, Leland, Marcus, Mims, Mya, Nathan, Nevaeh, Parks, Presley, Roux, Ryleigh, Seth, Terrezz and William



- **Flex Day** - on **Friday, February 14th** we will also be having another **school wide Flex Day** where students will participate in an extracurricular activity of their choosing. Flex Day is a chance for all students to try something new! They will participate in different activities like drama, cooking, sewing, photography and more! We are excited to participate in this initiative again and look forward to experiencing some new and exciting activities!

Important Dates to Remember

Feb. 5th - **Hot Lunch**

Feb. 6th and 7th - **NO SCHOOL** - TEACHER'S CONVENTION

Feb. 12th - **BOOK ORDERS DUE**

Feb. 14th - **Early Dismissal (11:50 a.m.)**

- **Valentine's Party** - please bring special snacks if it is your turn!

- School Wide Flex Day

Feb. 17th - **NO SCHOOL** - Family Day

Feb. 19th - **Hot Lunch**

Feb. 26th - **Pink Shirt Day** - please wear a pink shirt on this day to support anti-bullying

- Ash Wednesday Liturgy in the gym (8:45 a.m.)



- Please post the February calendar in a visible place and refer to it for any upcoming events, birthdays and special classroom days.
- Remember if you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me at school or by email.

I wish you all a wonderful Family Day!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Emmett and Alex's Unbirthday! 	4	5 HOT LUNCH 	6 <u>NO SCHOOL</u> Teacher's Convention 	7 <u>NO SCHOOL</u> Teacher's Convention 	8
9	10 Brady's Unbirthday! 	11	12 <u>*BOOK ORDERS DUE*</u> 	13	14 <u>EARLY DISMISSAL</u> (11:50 am) <u>Valentine's Day Party & Flex Day!</u>	15
16	17 <u>NO SCHOOL</u> Family Day 	18	19 HOT LUNCH 	20	21	22
23	24 Bailey's Unbirthday! 	25	26 Ash Wednesday Liturgy (8:45 a.m.) Kali's Birthday! 	27	28	