

Third Grade News from Mrs. Chevlin



December 2011

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and enjoyed the break with your family. It is hard to believe December is already here and with that comes the hustle and bustle of the Advent and Christmas season. I know this is a busy time for all of us, but please remember to fit in time for studies.

I enjoyed talking with all of you during conferences. I think all the children are doing a wonderful job this year. I am really enjoying them. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me. I would be happy to meet with you anytime.

Math News

The children will continue working on multiplication this month and we may begin the chapter on division. They will see how multiplication and division are related, so please encourage your child by practicing multiplication facts or ask them to sing some of the songs we have learned.

Please continue to practice the addition and subtraction wheels. Some students have already completed all of them. I would like to have these completed before break. I will be sending home the multiplication and division wheels after Christmas break. We will also incorporate a fun measuring lesson into math this month. Be sure to ask your child **what** we are measuring.

Language Art News

The children are learning about verbs. They also continue to work on writing. We are working on paragraphs now. We did not get to start our biographies last

month, but we will be doing them in December. Look for it to come home as part of their homework assignment.

I hope you were able to see third grade's Thanksgiving articles that were in the *Potomac News* and *Messenger* on Thanksgiving Day. There was a large photo also included of the class. I have a few extra copies if you did not see it. Please let me know if you would like one.

We are reading the story *Muggie Maggie* in class now. Be sure and ask your child about Maggie's contrariness.

Just a few reminders:

If you have not sent in your money for the class auction gift, please do so soon. I would like to get these completed before Christmas. I am asking for a \$3 donation for the mosaic tray the children will make at the Christmas Party. If you would like to send in something for the baking basket, I am collecting items or cash donations to purchase the items. This is a great fundraiser for the school, and I hope you will help our class support it.

Please review the work in Friday folders with your child and sign and return the folders. The work does not need to be returned

Have your child read at least 15 minutes each evening and practice math wheels each evening.

Check assignment notebooks nightly.

If you have any questions or concerns, please get in touch with me.

God Bless you and your family,



Mrs. Sarah Chevlin