

FRIDAY NOTES

September 25, 2009

THIRD GRADE NEWS

What a fun week we have had in third grade. We worked very hard all week on the story The Lost and Found working through centers that focused on vocabulary, spelling words, comprehension, and a guided reading center that worked with the skill of sequencing. Math has flown by with us wrapping up place value in order to get ready for our test today. I hope everyone did well! The children have worked very hard and are doing well transitioning into third grade work. We moved our desks into groups this week and will begin focusing on cooperative group work rather than just talking to our neighbors in the coming weeks. Thank you to all who came out to Open House and and HUGE thank you to those of you who purchased books for our classroom. We couldn't do it without you!

Progress Reports and 50% AR goals are due next Tuesday! Are you where you need to be?

WEEKEND HOMEWORK CHANGE

There is a small change in this weekend's homework (only), as you have noticed if you have looked in your child's agenda. First, there is no reading assignment. I would rather you spend time studying for the big map skills test that will take place on **Wednesday**. The study guide has every answer that is on the test, so everyone should do well. We have been working on this since the third day of school, so it is time to wrap it up and move on! Also, you will notice that students need to bring in a hat on Tuesday. This is for a writing assignment and it can be any kind of hat. **The more creative the better**. We will use these hats to take us to places far away. Please send the hat in on Tuesday as **there is no school on Monday due to a teacher workday!** No one will be wearing the hat except for the child, and the hat will need to stay at school all week. Thank you in advance for your support in both of this weekend's assignments!



Curriculum

Reading: *Author Study* We will spend the 4 day week studying and researching the author from our last story, Mark Teague. Please ask your child about all of the books we are reading. We will complete book reports, author biographies and so much more!

Math: *Addition* After a unit on place value, we will apply what we have learned to the operation of addition and its properties. We will regroup up to the thousands place.

Science: *Map Skills* We will play a fun review game on Tuesday before our test on Wednesday. Next Monday, we will begin traveling to Mrs. Noe's class for science lessons that will focus on plants.

Writer's Workshop: TOP SECRET LESSON PLANS. HINT: It involves the hats!

**If you have an extra hat to send it, that would be great. I am sure some children will not bring in hats and everyone will need one. Thank you so much in advance!



Monday September 28th-
Teacher Workday- No School

Tuesday September 29th- 50%
AR Reward due and Progress
Reports go home

Wednesday September 30-
Map Skills Test

Friday October 2nd- Flashlight
Friday (everyone needs a
flashlight!- ask your child!)

Friday October 9th- Tom
Sawyer Play at Maroney
Theater