

Mrs. Jachthuber's 3rd Grade News

October 12, 2018

Important Dates

10/16,18,19—Parent Teacher Conferences

10/19—No School

10/25,26—No School

Math

We have started Topic 2 in math. We will be learning about rounding numbering, addition properties, subtraction meanings and making estimates. Please look for the reteaching/enrichment packet and family letter in your child's binder.

We have also started Dreambox. Dreambox is an online, personalized math program. We will be using this program in the classroom, but you can also use it at home. A letter came home earlier in the week explaining how to log onto Dreambox at home. If your child used Dreambox at home, please allow them to do it independently, as I use the data for instruction in class.

Writing Workshop

The students have used the writing process to pre-write, draft, revise, edit and publish their first piece this school year. I will be sharing these with you at conferences.

This week we started our personal narratives. We will be learning about sequencing events, expanding details, writing good beginnings and using a storyteller's voice.



If you have a picture of your child in their Halloween costume please email it to me to include in our fall party! (Optional)

Technology

We have been learning about how we will use technology to help us with our learning this year. They students learned how to access their Google accounts and how to get into our Google classroom. Each week, they will asked to turn in two assignments using Google Classroom. (Have them show you how to do this at home.) We also learned about Dreambox, Epic Books and Headsprout. Headsprout can also be accessed from home. This is a reading program that first teaches phonics skills and them moves to comprehension.

Your child brought home a
white card his/her binder that
has ALL our usernames and
passwords on it so that he/she
can access these sites from
home.

Reading Workshop

We are learning about how to prepare ourselves for small reading groups (guided reading groups/book clubs.) We are learning about marking spots in our reading with sticky notes and being a respectful member of the group.

Next week we will be learning about characters by what they do, say and think.

Next week Monday I will be doing reading testing with all students. This will help me get to know each reader EVEN better and be able to form guided reading groups more efficiently.

Word Study

Please remember that at this point, spelling words ARE NOT coming home. We are working on words in class but we are not creating lists for spelling tests.