

Third Grade News

December 17, 2015

Number Eleven

Upcoming Events:

Fri, Dec. 18:, 10:30: **Holiday Program**
Break begins at the end of the program!

Mon. Jan. 4: Back to School! We will serve hot chocolate to the children who complete the attached reading challenge!



Fleece Hats

Each of the children is bringing home a fleece hat that they designed and sewed on the class's sewing machine.

Family History

In January we will begin our family history project. This year, each child will make a PowerPoint about the **life story** of a family member. This will be an in-school project in which the children learn to use PowerPoint in class.

Please choose someone about whom you can access information about all life stages, from birth through adulthood! The children may choose an early ancestor or an older person they know well.

Since PowerPoint is so visual, including photos or other illustrations will be essential. Rather than focusing on one big event in this person's life, we want to include information about childhood, education, family, and work experiences. We will also be

- making a map of the world on which to show where our ancestors came from
- researching our earliest immigrant ancestors
- talking about the origins of our names

If you have a family genealogy expert, you might want to get in touch, to uncover information about your family's roots in the "old world."



Jamestown Remembered

We had a great time touring the Powhatan village, where the children experienced first-hand how Virginia's first people cooked, worshiped, prepared hides to make clothing, made canoes, and learned to aim. Our model yehakins look a lot like theirs!



After touring the Indian village, we boarded the Susan Constant, the largest of the three vessels that carried the first English colonists to Jamestown. We learned about the miserable conditions on board, and the lives of the young sailors who alternated four hours on and four hours off.



After touring the fort, we had some free time to wander about. Some groups watched a film in the Museum, while others explored the ships and the fort some more. Many thanks to our valiant chaperones, Carmine Arwine, Kari Bartruff, Lisa Cifferello, Sean Conlin, Matt Foosaner, Ned Quinn, and Nicole Wyatt. And of course to Gregg Looney who makes our travels safe and fun!

My Reading Goal for the Winter Break: 350 pages

Name _____



Book #5: _____
by _____

Hot chocolate at lunch on the 1st day back if you reach this goal!

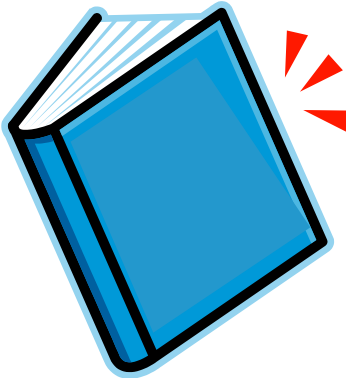


Book #4: _____
by _____

This sheet is required as proof!



Book #3: _____
by _____



Book #2: _____
by _____

You might read 350 pages in one book. Or maybe you'll read more than 5!



Book #1: _____
by _____

Color one bar for each 10 pages you read. If you read 25 pages per day for 14 days, you'll reach 350 pages!

