

Third Grade News

February 5, 2015

Number Sixteen

Upcoming Events:

- Thurs. Feb. 12, 11:10— **3rd Grade Strings** perform at assembly
2:20: **Valentines Exchange**
Fri. Feb. 13: **Mini-Olympics**, no school.
Thurs. Feb. 19: **100th Day of School***
Fri. Feb. 20: **Field Trip to Jamestown**, depart at 8:30 AM and return at 8:30 PM
Tues. Mar. 3, 10:30: **Second and Third Grade Gymnastics** assembly
Thurs. Mar. 5: **Third Grade play** at 11 and 7
March 11-13: **Culture Study of China**



100 Ounces of Food

Today is the 91st day of the school year. In celebration of the **100th Day***, (unless we have another snow day, this will be on Feb. 19th*) we request that each child bring a donation of 100 ounces of canned or boxed food for us to transport to the local food pantry, Seven Loaves.

It can be challenging to hit precisely 100 ounces. Send your child into the pantry or grocery store to try!

No other 100th day project is required!

Valentines Day Reminder

Only one more week until we celebrate Valentines Day on Thursday, Feb. 12th!

Please remember:

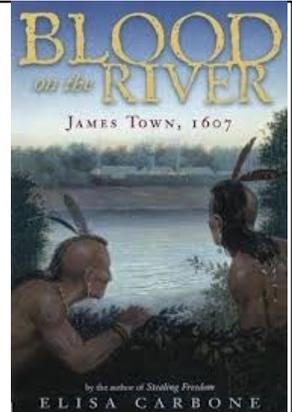
- Send a Valentine for each 3rd grader (we have 22 students, including your child) and for each of the 3 homeroom teachers
- Valentines should be labeled with the name of the recipient. (Start early! This can be time consuming!)
- They should also be signed!
- Third grade is a wonderful age for making homemade valentines.
- Our party will be from 2:20 to 3 PM. We will distribute cards then.
- If you wish to send something in addition to a card, we prefer trinkets like erasers, pencils, or puzzles, rather than candy which some children will not be able to eat.
- They will have drama class after the party, and will need to cooperate!



Jamestown Study

We are reading the historical novel *Blood on the River* aloud in class. It tells the tale of a boy named Samuel Collier who was one of the first English settlers of Virginia.

We read about his unhappy childhood in England, and are now reading about the miserable voyage to The New World aboard the *Susan Constant*, the largest of the three ships. This story is a great introduction to the Jamestown adventure.



Stories, Tables and Graphs

Our current math investigation involves calculating and graphing a constant rate of change. It sounds like algebra, and it is! The children are working with data to create formulas, as well as graphing the data and writing about their findings. Ask your child about the Magic Marbles of Rhomaar!