

Third Grade News

February 19, 2014

Number Eighteen

Upcoming Events:

Fri. Feb. 21: **Mini-Olympics**, no school

Wed. Feb. 26: **100th Day of School**

Fri. Feb. 28: **Field Trip to Jamestown**,
from 8:30 AM to 8:30 PM.

Tues. Mar. 4, 10:30: **2nd and 3rd
Grade Gymnastics Assembly in the
gym**

March 12-14: Culture Study of Morocco

March 14-30: Spring Break!

Stories, Tables, and Graphs

Our new math unit involves reading graphs and tables. The first investigation relates to temperatures around the world and throughout the day. We have been graphing the temperature each morning since school began, recently graphing both Fahrenheit and Celsius. It's fun to think about February in Hawaii and Japan!

100 Ounces of Food

Today is the 97th day of the school year. In celebration of the **100th Day**,



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!

We will be walking to town with our bags of food to deliver them to the food pantry. We will wait for a day when the weather permits!

Reading Goals

We celebrated this great class of readers again this afternoon. Almost every student reached the individual goal that s/he set during in January.

We also set new goals for this new Accelerated Reader marking period which runs from today through April 3rd. Please help your children by

- encouraging them to read books that they can read independently with fluency (20 to 25 pages per 30 minutes)
- encouraging them to read one book at a time, from start to finish
- providing a quiet, supervised place
- making sure there is time each day
- checking to make sure that your child understands what s/he is reading
- initialing the reading log and returning it to school

Spring Break reading will contribute to this next goal!



Black History Month

Today the children finished reading their historical novels about Jamestown. These were a big hit! Next week, in honor of Black History Month, small groups of children will begin to read a book of their choice about important an African American.

Since we only have a short time until Spring Break, we may send these books home occasionally in order to finish them before March 14. Please make sure that the books are returned to school the following day!