



**Ms. Perin's Frogtastic  
3rd Grade!  
September 28, 2018**



Dear Room 5 Families,

We have had a busy but fun week in 3rd Grade. Thank you to everyone who has turned in their conference sign-up form. I am looking forward to meeting with you all soon!

Below is a description of the activities we have been working on this week.

### **Literacy**

This week our class has continued focusing on stories and storytelling. We have also continued to talk about what we can learn from stories and their characters.

- **High-Frequency Words:** Our watch out words this week were: **glad, grabs, camp, stamp, cramp, man, rack, snack, cat, hand, clap, anthill, click, bit, grin, pin, miss, sick, bill, and lift.** Our oral vocabulary words were **ached, concentrate, educated, effort, improved, inspired** and, **satisfied.** (Watch Out Words are the students weekly spelling words. Oral vocabulary words are words that students are learning the meaning of.)
- **Spelling/Phonics:** This week students reviewed the short a and short i vowel sounds.
- **Comprehension Skill:** Character Traits
- **Comprehension Strategy:** Visualize

Here are some activities that you can do with your child to help reinforce the skills we've be practicing.

#### **Word Workout**

- **Watch Out Words: synonyms** Your child can use one of the vocabulary words in a sentence. Then you will repeat the same sentence and substitute a word with a similar meaning for the vocabulary word. You'll take turns doing this until you've used all the words.
- **Spelling/Phonics: short a, i** Read the words to your child. Have your child raise one or two hands to show what sound he or she hears in a word.

#### **Comprehension: character**

Your child can read a story and figure out the character traits of each character. Then your child can identify the words that describe the character.

### **Math**

We finished Topic 1, Numeration, this week. Students finished up this topic by practicing how to make an organized list to represent information given and help solve a problem. We finished the week off by taking the Topic 1 assessment. I will be holding on to this assessment until conferences.

### **Social Studies**

We saw wonderful assembly on Friday put on by the Taproot Theater! During this assembly students learned different strategies to use if they encounter bullying. The three steps are: Recognize, Refuse, Report. First, they need to recognize that bullying is going on.

Next, they refuse the bullying behavior by telling the person to stop what they are doing. Then, if the bullying behavior continues, they report it to a trusted adult. This was such a fun way for the students to learn about a very serious topic.

We also had our first visit from Mrs. Anderton this week! Mrs. Anderton is our school counselor and will be joining us once a month to teach us mindfulness as well as different problem solving strategies. We are very excited for the opportunity to work with her this year!

### Dates & Reminders

- **October 1st-5th - Week B**
- **October 3rd** - Early Release at 1:50
- **October 10th** - Early Release at 1:50
- **October 9th, 11th, and 12th - 11:45 early release for conferences** - In the afternoons on those days, I will have a chance to visit with each family. These conferences are 15 minutes long and I would love for you to bring your 3rd grader with you. You'll be able to share personal insights about your child and they can catch you up on how things are going in class. **On Thursday I sent home the blue sign up sheet. If you have not yet sent it back, please make sure you do so as soon as possible.**
- **October 18th** - Individual Picture Day

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and I will see you Monday!

Sincerely,  
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