Third Grade News

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Dear Parents and Families,

Well now! That was fun! Nothing like an impromptu winter break! I hope everyone got through our little "cold snap" without losing too many fingers. For our "teacher read-aloud," I've been reading Laura Ingalls Wilder's "The Long Winter." Seems appropriate. Any way...

Our calendar is as full as ever. We continue to power through our math lessons, and now that we're getting a good handle on the multiplication facts, our pace for the next units in math will speed up quite a bit. I have been very pleased with the students' efforts in math as well as reading.

The third graders continue to enjoy the more independent nature of the Daily 5 reading structure, and I believe all of that reading is having a positive effect on their growth in other content areas as well. We are also working hard on our more traditional English and Reading lessons.

We continue to study communities and ancient civilizations during our Social Studies time, and it has been interesting to have discussions about people's differing backgrounds. We are truly blessed to live in a country with such a diverse population, and learning about other cultures is a fascinating and enlightening experience. As for Science, we're continuing through our Earth and Space lessons, from tectonic plates all the way to the Solar System and beyond!

All the Best,

Chris Dahle