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# Elliott's Events

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Hello Families,

We have been hard at work in 3B! In literacy, we have been focused on informational texts. In reading we practice strategies to help comprehend informational texts, and we also take note of the structure of the texts we read so we can apply it to our writing. In writing we have been working on composing well developed paragraphs. We also focus on literacy during our social studies and science content time. We do a lot of reading to get information about content, and we write about our content as well.

In math we will finish up with unit 2 next week, but this is not the end of our multiplication and division work. The students will continue to use their multiplication and division skills throughout the rest of the year. There will be many more word problems to solve. Please be consistent with fact practice at home. Our "Wildly Important Goal" this quarter is for students to be fluent with their 0s, 1s, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, and 10s multiplication and division facts. Please see the back of this newsletter for a list of helpful questions you can use when supporting your child at home with homework. Asking questions is a great way to lead your child to become an independent math thinker.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by phone or email.

## Things to Note...

### Halloween Parade:

Our Halloween Party/Parade will be tomorrow, October 31 at 2:45. Everyone is welcome to join us. The students will change into their costumes just before the party. Please make sure your child's costume is not gory, and it does not include any weapons.

HABIT OF THE WEEK:

Think Win Win

## Specials Schedule:



Monday: Library 10:30-11:30

Tuesday: Art 10:30-11:30  
Counselor 1:30-2:00

Wednesday: Computer 10:30-11:30

Thursday: Music 10:30-11:00  
P.E. 11:00-11:30

Friday: Music. 10:30-11:00  
P.E. 11:00-11:30

## Life in 3rd Grade:

**Math:** We are wrapping up unit 2.

We will take our unit test next week. Please continue to practice multiplication and division facts at home.

**Writing:** We have continued with our informational writing. We will be focusing on writing strong conclusions this week and next week. We have also been taking time each day to work on independent writing. The students have free choice of writing topics, as long as they are working on informational writing so they can apply the concepts we have been working on during our instruction.

**Reading:** We have been working on finding cause and effect relationships and sequencing events in informational texts. The students are on the lookout for signal words such as "since", "because", "as a result" to identify cause/effect, and "first", "next"... to signal a sequence of events in their reading.

**Science:** Our unit is called "Cycles on Earth and in Space" and our focusing lens is, "Patterns of movement help us to understand the changes in our solar system." We have been focusing on what causes the seasons. We will also talk about the phases of the moon, and next week we will do some research on planets.

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## School-Home Connection

CMES Halloween Parade: 10/31 @ 3PM

Picture Make Up Day: 11/1

Fundraiser Limo Ride and Order Pick Up: 11/3

PTO Meeting: 11/8 @ 7PM

CMES Family Movie Night: 11/10 @ 5:30 PM