

THIRD GRADE NEWS



Dear Families,

In Math, we have been gathering data, choosing categories, comparing groups of data, and using line plots to represent our data. We measured and compared the length of our feet, and the distance traveled in a standing long jump. Let's just say it got a little loud in our room, when we measured how far we could jump. The students read and interpreted data as well!

In preparation for our next Unit of Study the children focused on inferences and predictions, using the mentor texts, The Stranger and The Widow's Broom. The class enjoyed learning about the inferential skills that authors and illustrators use to keep readers engaged. I encourage you to read these stories with your child and see how well your inferencing skills are! We have begun our mystery unit. The children are reading mysteries, keeping track of clues, wondering about suspects, noting points of confusion, and discussing their thinking with partners. In addition to this, the children are working on fluency, monitoring for sense, retelling, envisioning, and predicting.

The class is working on opinion writing, learning to look for things that need to be changed, noteworthy people and places that should be highlighted, and how to write bold thesis statements. This is a popular unit because the children love to express their own opinions. I know many students are writing to mom and dad about getting a new pet at home!

Mrs. Clasky introduced the Global Voice Video this week. The main goal of the festival is to empower **student voice** and **agency**. The purpose of this festival is give students around the globe a chance and platform to share their perspectives with the world and embody the mindset that they don't have to wait until they grow up to make a difference – their ideas can impact people now. The theme for this year is "Come Together". This will go along well with our SEL lessons.

In Science, some students were lucky enough to have flowers today, so we plan to pollinate next week. Then, we will wait to see if we get seed pods. Students will also

complete a study about bees by investigating dead bees (a smelly experience). Students have a great understanding about how flowers and pollinators depend on one another.

I look forward to sharing your child's progress with you at parent-teacher conferences on Nov. 6h and 7th. It is not too late to sign up. Please reach out to me if you need a different time.

FALL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE		
Wednesday, Nov. 6	Kindergarten Conferences	8:30 AM-7:00 PM
Wednesday, Nov 6	1st-4th Grade Conferences	3:40 PM-7:00 PM
Thursday, Nov 7	K-4- Team Meetings	8:30-11:30
Thursday, Nov. 7	K-4- Conferences	12:40 PM-7:00 PM
Friday, Nov 8	No School	No School

Veterans Day Recognition Ceremony - Over the past five years, our Veterans Day recognition ceremony has continued to grow! This year, we are preparing yet another moving celebration to honor the Veterans of our community and families. Therefore, please see the attached flyer regarding this year's assembly scheduled for **Monday, November 11 at 9:00am** in the Lincoln School Gym. Finally, don't forget to send in as many Veteran's Day Hero Forms that you may have to be displayed in our "Hall of Honor!"

Have a great weekend,

Mrs. Mares