



THIRD GRADE Academy of Christian Education NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2017

Welcome

Welcome to the third grade! I hope your family is looking forward to a fabulous year here, as I certainly am! It is during this time students begin to rise on the foundations of English and number literacy mastered earlier in their academic careers.

With added height, they will have more perspective to look outward on the horizons of life and choose paths they might someday like to explore. Thus, third grade becomes an important transitional year between pure basics and upper-level, critical thinking coursework soon to come.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at mrzellner@myschoolace.com or mrswoodward@myschoolace.com.

Math I Grade Level 4

Mr. Thompson

This month, Math 4 students will learn and successfully navigate the following topics:

- Place Value (periods, millions)
- Compare, order, round, and rename numbers
- Decimals (tenths, hundredths)
- Count money (count change)
- Rename numbers
- Addition properties (2 and 3 digit addition; 4 and 5 digit addition)
- Add money

The chapter 1 test will be on September 20, 2017.

Please Note: All work pages that are in color are completed and checked in class – they are for practice and learning the new material. Black and white sheets are homework pages and will be corrected for accuracy.

Upcoming Events

September 7

Informational Meeting about AAP, CogAT, NNAT, 6:30pm
(Parents Only Please)

Elementary Parent Orientation, 7:00pm
(Parents Only Please)

September 13

Picture Day

September 19

Open House, 10:00am-2:00pm
(for non-registered families)

APL Meeting, 7:00pm
All Parents Welcome

September 29

Casual Day *(students may wear modest casual clothing to school instead of their uniforms)*

October 2

All students need to bring jackets to school daily

October 6

Interims go home as needed

October 9

Columbus Day Holiday -
NO SCHOOL

Bible

In Bible, students will learn the important similarities and differences between the New and Old Testaments, the patriarch Abraham, and how the Gospel is the centerpiece of the entire message.

Bible Memory Verse and Lesson Quizzes:

- Sept. 15: Matthew 5:1-2
- Sept. 22 Matthew 5:3-4
- Sept. 29 Matthew 5:5-6

Advanced Math I Grade Level 5

Mr. Zellner

Starting off in math, we will be deepening our understanding of numbers by looking at extremely large numbers, negative numbers, numbers with decimals, and even Roman numerals.

Math Test:

- September 20

History

Diving into American History!

- Identifying biblical characteristics of a godly leader.
- Development of the Constitution of the U.S.A.
- How The Great Awakening swept threw the colonies.
- Civil War and Reconstruction
- The Wild West!

Language

Upper Elementary language students will learn that language is:

- Evaluating what they read, hear, and observe
- Learning rules and following them
- Learning that there is a correct way to do things
- Seeing patterns and working analytically
- Developing a body of thought in an intelligent and orderly manner
- Communicating their beliefs clearly forcefully, and persuasively

All classes will continue to develop reading skills, which include:

- Accuracy
- Enunciation
- Alertness to punctuation
- Expression
- Smoothness
- Comprehension
- Volume
- Speed
- Poise

Each class will practice recognizing key characters, places and terms relevant to particular time periods.

Students will study, review, learn, and be quizzed and tested over vocabulary and definitions from Math, and Science, and their Chapter book, *Farmer Boy*.

They will:

- Learn to recognize and write good sentences
- Learn the many ways to punctuate writing

Music

In the beginning of the year in Music, we will review how to enter and exit Music Class and expectations of behavior and participation. We will also be introduced to the foundations of music, which include rhythm and beat.

Students will be introduced to a new composer every month. We will listen to famous compositions, learn interesting facts, and have activities centered around each composer. The September composer of the month is Franz Liszt.

Science

Science 4 will start with a general look at all Living Things in chapter 1 before looking specifically at Insects and Spiders in Chapter 2. Students will learn the basics of scientific inquiry and experiments with at least 2 to 3 hands-on activities per chapter. The two quizzes in Chapter 1 will be on September 13 and September 19. We will finish out the Chapter with a test at the end of the month on September 28. On September 21, students will practice oral presentation with a long-term project.

Penmanship

Students will continue to practice good penmanship.

Formation, slant, spacing, letter size and overall neatness will be graded on vocabulary tests.

Technology

In the 3rd grade Technology class this month we will be learning:

- Policy and Procedures
- Classroom rules
- Mathletics log in
- Rosetta Stone log in
- Accelerated Reader log in
- Typing Agen log in
- How to use your take home iPads

PE / Spanish

This month in PE, students will participate in games that will work on their ability to:

- Exercise
- Reinforce their listing skills
- Work together
- Communicate

In Spanish Class, students will:

- Review numbers and colors
- Review their greetings
- Go over vocabulary words
- Learn interrogatory words

Don't forget your child's 15 minutes of Spanish homework each week!

Art

Welcome to another year of fun for you and your children as they create their own masterpieces.

This month the children will learn one of the seven elements of art - Value

The children will learn how to use watercolor to show color value on their artwork.