

# 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE CLASS NEWSLETTER

Week of: January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Years! I hope you all had a fantastic break. It is good to be back with the students and to pick up where we left off. I hope that we all were able to get some much needed rest that will let us continue with large strides into the new year. There are some additional structure that I put into place regarding math and literacy stations. So far, they have seemed to be very successful and I hope that this pattern can continue throughout the rest of the school year. As always, please reach out to me with any questions of concerns.

Thanks,

Mr. LeBlanc

## Announcements:

- Assessment Folders are being sent out this Thursday, 1/10. Please return these by Monday, 1/14.
- If you think that your child needs additional practice on a specific skill at home, please let me know by email and I can send additional resources to help them practice.
- Students may always log into Freckle in order to gain additional practice with general 3<sup>rd</sup> grade skills.
  - <https://www.freckle.com/>
  - Class Code: xc44py

## Important Dates:

1/11 December RSR Dress Down  
1/15 5-9 p.m. Blaze Pizza Restaurant Night  
1/16 12:30 p.m. Dismissal  
1/18 Spaghetti Dinner *4-7 p.m.*  
1/21 MLK Day – No School  
1/27 Start of Catholic Schools Week

## Test Dates:

1/9 Science Quiz – Animal Life Cycles  
1/11 Weekly Reading and Spelling Tests  
1/14 Math Chapter 4 Test

## Scholastic Book Orders

Students received order forms for scholastic book orders for January. Please consider ordering some books for your child to read at home! Not only will they have great books to read, but every dollar spent earns our class points to order books for our classroom!

## January Service Project – St. Anne’s

Holy Redeemer Student Council and the NJHS is leading the school in helping St. Ann’s Center in Hyattsville. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is being asked to bring in Size 4 diapers, baby formula\*\*, or a monetary donation. Anything that you can contribute is greatly appreciated.

\*\*Baby Formula: Regular Enfamil Formula, Simlac Advance Formula, Lipil Formula, Neosure Formula, or Infacare Formula

## Daily 5 Literacy Stations

Starting the week before Christmas Break and continuing through the rest of the school year, students will be starting Daily 5 Literacy Stations. This is a classroom structure where students have the daily opportunity to be actively engaged in reading and writing activities that relate to the week’s learning goal or skill. The stations that have been introduced thus far are Listen to Reading, Read to Self, and Work on Writing. Each station provides students the opportunity to practice and showcase the week’s skill

# Topics

Reading	Main Idea and Supporting Details
Math	Multiplication Fact Fluency – Multiplying by 3, 6, 7, and 9
Grammar	Past and Present Tense Verbs
Writing	Work on Writing Daily 5 Station Practice
Spelling	Unit 13 – words with the vowel +  r  sound
Science	Animal Life Cycles (Quiz 1/9) / Animal Adaptations
Social Studies	Native Americans in our region – the Powhatans
Religion	The Trinity and the Nicene Creed

How you can help:

**Math:** Quiz your child on their math facts. Using flash cards or just paper, have them solve various math problems with all numbers.

**Religion:** Ask your child to tell you about the Trinity. We are answering questions such as: What is a creed? What is a profession? Have them tell you about these!

**Reading:** When reading a book or passage, ask them what the main idea is of the paragraph / page / story.