

Hello 3B,

January flew by and Valentine's Day is almost here! February looks to be a busy month: We will have our next Charlotte's Web vocab Quiz on Tuesday, February 5. The final Charlotte's Web Book Test is scheduled for Thursday, February 14.

This week we began Charlotte's Web and will finish the book and materials in the middle of February. A Midwest Map Quiz will be on February 6th and the Midwest Test and packet will be due on February 7th. By the middle of February we will begin the Southwest Region!

We have are still practicing and working on different types of paragraph and essay writing. (Informative, persuasive, etc.) We have also began to learn about the elements of poetry and how to write them. We will switch back to Journey's Unit 4 and begin with Lesson 16 starting Monday, February 19. That Friday, Feb 22, the class will only have quizzes regarding that week's lesson because it is a short week due to the holiday. The following week Lesson 17 will start on Monday and have informal assessments for that lesson on Friday instead of actual tests due to Terra Nova. Those will be counted as classwork and not tests, quizzes or projects. During Terra Nova testing there will be no other tests or homework. In Unit 4, we will focus on the different types of adjectives and verbs, and hone in on persuasive writing.

In Math, we have moved to the second volume and will continue to work on adding and subtracting multiples of 100, 2- and 3-digit numbers, Rounding/Estimating, Fractions, revisiting x2 Multiplication tables, Problem Solving Strategies, and Money. For extra multiplication support, I have kept the resources on my web page for the students to practice at home. We are constantly working and practicing them in class using the Saxon curriculum and other supplemental math materials. I continue to strongly recommend working with your student on all facts at home too! Their planners also have a multiplication table for them to reference at home. Flashcards at home are also a great resource for students to use to practice their facts! The students are using Xtra Math in their computers class, and the link can be found on my website to practice at home. Their usernames and log ins are written in their planners on page 3. Throughout the rest of the year we will work on 3's, 6,8,9, and finally 12's.

We are currently focusing on the virtue of Cheerfulness. During February we will take our time to focus on Celebrating Penance and Reconciliation, and praying for Healing and Eternal Life.

In Science we are still investigating elements and compounds. By the middle of the month we will move our focus to Physical and Chemical changes!

For Handwriting we have started cursive slowly and are making sure our penmanship is written with care.

Please continue to read with your student at home for at least 20 minutes each night for at least 20 days. I've noticed great improvement in the classroom!

The 3rd quarter is just about half way over! Please be sure to check the students' agendas for the most current schedule for tests, projects and homework assignments. Due to the pace of the classroom constantly changing, test and assignment dates can change and will be noted in students' planners.

Standardized Testing is at the end of this month, starting on February 25 and ending on March 7th. More specific details about the testing will follow later in the coming weeks. As always, please let me know if you have any questions! I am happy to help.

Thank you so much for your patience and all that you do!

God Bless,

Mrs. Williams

Looking ahead *Check agenda's for most current schedule*:

Monday, February 4

Midwest Practice map Quiz

Thursday, February 7

Midwest Map Quiz

Friday, February 8

Midwest Test and Packet Due

Friday, February 8

Math Test, Spelling Test

Tuesday, February 12

Science Test-Lesson 28

Wednesday February 13

CH 18 Religion Test

Thursday, February 14

Charlotte's Web Test

Monday, February 18:

No School, Presidents Day

Friday, February 22

Ch 19 Religion Test

February 25th- 8th

Terra Nova Test prep and testing

March 6th

Ash Wednesday Mass, 9:45

Friday, March 15th

11:30 Dismissal

March 16th-24th

Spring Break

Reminders:

- Check students' agendas for most current dates for tests, projects and homework assignments!
- Battle of the books groups and assigned books were done before Christmas break. The information letter is on my web page, in your student's binder, and attached to this email. Your student's copy should have their reading selections marked.
- Terra Nova Testing begins the week of the 25th