



# JANUARY NEWS

## *third grade*

### A note from the teachers

The weather is officially getting colder outside, please remember to bring jackets or coats to school. Also, please remember to keep doing and turning in homework as new material is being taught.

### Reminders

If your student is sick or will be absent, please let the classroom teacher know and send a message to the office.

### Events

MAP-M Testing- January 22nd and 23rd

MAP-R Testing- January 12th and 14th

Field Trip to Imagination Stage - January 13th

MLK Day- January 19th: No School for Students and Staff

Professional Day for Teachers- January 26th: No School for Students

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# Math Focus

Students will begin Module 4 where they will explore area as an attribute of two-dimensional figures and relate it to their prior understandings of multiplication.

**See below for parent tip sheets**

[English](#) [Spanish](#)

# Reading and Writing Focus

We will be finishing Unit 5 where students will learn how light and sound travel in waves and how light and sound can be manipulated by various instruments. In this unit, students will respond to texts they have read, conduct research, and take and organize notes. As part of their final writing task, they will plan, draft, revise, edit, and publish a newspaper article.

Afterwards, we will start Unit 7 where students will study the concept of gravity and its effect on the Earth and other places in space. They will also learn about key people and events involved in the study and exploration of outer space. Students will explore the sun, the inner and outer planets, and the objects existing in our solar system. They will also study why planets stay in orbit. Students will complete a multi day informative writing project in which they will describe a day in the life of an astronaut on the International Space Station. Students will collaborate with their peers, share ideas, and provide feedback on one another's writing.

# Science and Social Studies Focus

Students are continuing Unit 2 of Science in January. Students extend their understanding of weather to explore climate zones and describe differences among areas; they also combine information to describe climates in different regions of the country. Students extend their understanding of weather to explore four examples of severe weather (blizzard, thunderstorm, tornado, and hurricane).

Students will also have Health the last week of January. In this unit of Health, students will learn about consumer knowledge, skills, and how hygiene practices enhance wellness. Students will also learn how safety skills reduce the potential for injury.

# School Update

**Come visit Jackson Road's Family Market!**

**We offer fresh produce and dry goods to members of the Jackson Road community, free of charge. Please bring your own bags!**

**Dates: October 7th, November 4th, December 2nd, January 6th, February 3rd, March 3rd, April 7th, May 5th, and June 2nd**

**¡Ven a visitar el mercado familiar de Jackson Road!**

**Ofrecemos productos frescos y productos secos a los miembros de la comunidad de Jackson Road, de forma gratuita. ¡Por favor traiga sus propias maletas!**

**Fechas: 7 de octubre, 4 de noviembre, 2 de diciembre, 6 de enero, 3 de febrero, 3 de marzo, 7 de abril, 5 de mayo y 2 de junio**

