



OCTOBER NEWS

third grade

A note from the teachers

It is starting to get colder outside! Please send your student to school with a jacket/coat.

Homework has officially started! Don't forget to check your child's folder each evening for math and reading homework.

Reminders

Please remember to contact your student's teacher or call the main office at (240)-740-0800 for any dismissal changes. And call the office when your student will be absent. Thank you.

Events

- October 7- PTA Meeting (virtual)
6:30-7:30
- October 9- Culture Night
- October 16- No school
PD Day
- October 23- Fall Festival
- October 26-30- Book Fair

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Math Focus

This October, our 3rd graders are learning about area measurement! Students will start by counting unit squares to measure flat shapes, then discover how multiplying side lengths (Length x Width) makes finding rectangle areas much faster. To finish the unit, they'll break down complex, multi-sided shapes into smaller rectangles to calculate total area. Please continue working on multiplication facts and fluency at home to help support their progress!

Reading and Writing Focus

This October, students are beginning Unit 2 by exploring how scientists study and classify animals, culminating in an informational writing piece where they classify a specific vertebrate using text evidence. Alongside their reading, students will strengthen foundational literacy skills through dictionary alphabetizing, studying common prefixes and suffixes, and building key vocabulary. They will also sharpen their grammar by mastering sentence structure, parts of speech, and pronouns.

Science and Social Studies Focus

We are currently finishing social studies which covers how and why people make financial decisions. We will begin Science in the second week of October. In Science, students will investigate the phenomena of forces. This includes balanced/unbalanced forces and magnetic forces.