



MARCH NEWS

third grade

A note from the teachers

Please use [this link](#) to get a chromebook through MCPS for your child to use at home.

Reminders

Homework packets are sent home the first day of every month! There is a math calendar and a reading log for students to complete. They should turn it in at the end of the month.

Events

- **March 1st** - Early release for students
- **March 25th - 29th** - Spring Break

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Math Focus

In March, we will be wrapping up Module 5. In the second half of the module, students will identify equivalent fractions using fraction strips, number bonds, and the number line as models. Students will also compare fractions with the same size numerator.

See below for parent tip sheets.

[English](#)

[Spanish](#)

Reading and Writing Focus

This month in reading we are beginning Unit 6 of Benchmark. In unit 6 we are answering the question “What helps us solve problems?” In this unit, students will read and compare folktales from around the world to analyze how characters solve problems.

In writing, we are writing a narrative journal entry from the point of view of a character we will read about in our folktales.

Science and Social Studies Focus

Through this unit of study, students investigate the phenomena of animal groups and animal adaptations. Throughout the unit, students will work towards an understanding to be able to answer the question, “What affects an organism’s survival?” Students will investigate how animal groups help its members survive and the role of predators and prey. Students will also build the understanding that variations in traits (adaptations) among individuals of the same species can provide advantages in survival.