



Dear Parents,

We have had a good week. Today the third grade took their division test, so next week we move on to time and money. Second grade will finish their double digit addition and have a test next week. Second grade will do a unit on fractions and measurement the following week. In English we are all learning about poetry. We are reading it and writing it. Some of the forms are: acrostics, bio poems, shape poems, cinquains, found poems and more. They are excited to read, listen to, and create poetry. After our poetry unit, that will end Friday, we will begin our research report unit.

A special note to third grade parents....We have started preparing ourselves for the upcoming g NYS ELA and math exams in April. I know that April may seem far away, but I want your children to not only be prepared but also at ease. I want them to be familiar with the format of a test as well as the types of questions. You will see this come home to you in homework assignments and also as graded practice tests. I encourage you to look over these practice assignments to see what to expect from the exams this year. Also, you can see where your child may struggle in one area and thrive in another.

We will begin our class science project very soon. I am just waiting for the bacteria test kit to come in the mail. Meanwhile, I will begin giving homework that pertains to the science projects going on at home. Next week you will receive an outline to help students organize their research and findings. I do want to be sensitive to the fact that these science projects are time consuming. Homework will still be given, but I am mindful of the science fair projects and will have some of the homework help you with the project. I also have three children in the school doing their own projects☺.

Report cards are done! They are being sent home today. If you have any questions please let me know.

Have a wonderful weekend!! Thank you for your prayers.

Mrs. Salmonsens