



THIRD GRADE

Academy of Christian Education

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

1 Timothy 6:6-8

Thanksgiving is a time of year when we consider how blessed we are. The idea that one can have enough leads to happy contentment. This is so essential for students to internalize, despite the glitz of Black Friday ads and the flood of products that surround us.

It has been said that "Silence is golden." Then it may be added that "Gratitude is platinum," for little can be taken from the man or woman whose joy is perpetually based in what he or she already has. May it be so with us and our children.

Advanced Math

Grade Level 5

Mr. Zellner

November will mainly cover Chapter 5, which discusses division in various operations. This will be a useful skill for project preparation, dividing up large tasks and chunks of work time (Example: 25 pp. / day to finish novel by Dec. 1).

Nov. 14 - Math 5 TEST 5 (See calendar for details.)

Nov. 28 - Math 5 Quiz 5 (See calendar for details.)

Language

Chapter 5 will detail the central star of every sentence, the verb. Its various forms and connections will be considered. Verbs are the first items one should look for in identifying the grammar in a set of words. When one masters verbs, the rest of the parts of speech will revolve around it.

Nov. 9 - FINAL Draft of Friendly Letter DUE

Nov. 9 - No spelling test this week.

Nov. 12 - Grammar TEST 4 (See calendar for details.)

Nov. 16 - Spelling Test 10

Nov. 26 - Farmer Boy Diorama DUE

Bible

November looks at Jacob, a flawed but later redeemed man. He became one of Israel's revered fathers of faith, and the lessons he learned are lessons of redemption for us as well.

Nov. 2 - Bible Quiz 9 pp. 41-44 & Matthew 5:1-12

Nov. 9 - Bible Quiz 10 pp. 45-47 & Proverbs 3:1-2

Nov. 16 - Bible Quiz 11 pp. 49-52 & Proverbs 3:3-4

Nov. 30 - Bible Quiz 12 pp. 55-57 & Proverbs 3:1-4

Upcoming Events

November 2

Report Cards go home

November 5 -6

Parent/Teacher Conferences
NO SCHOOL

November 7

Picture Retake Day

November 9

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
(for non-registered families)

November 19 - 23

Thanksgiving Holiday -
NO SCHOOL

November 26

School Resumes

November 30

Casual Day *(students may wear modest, casual clothing to school)*

December 7

Christmas Program Costume Check Day

December 14

Open House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
(for non-registered families)

December 21

In-House Christmas Programs

December 24-31

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION
NO SCHOOL

December 25

Christ's Birthday

January 1

NEW YEAR'S DAY - NO SCHOOL

January 1-4

CHRISTMAS BREAK
NO SCHOOL

Math I Grade Level 4

Mr. Thompson

This month, we will learn to successfully navigate:

- Subtract Money
- Estimating Numbers
- Types of Subtraction
- Word Problem
- Parts of a whole
- Parts of a set
- Fraction of a set
- Compare and Order Fractions
- Add and Subtract Fractions
- Mixed Numbers (Add and Subtract)
- Fractional Parts
- Multiplication
- Division
- Related Facts

History

3rd Grade is breezing through American History. We enjoyed discussing cowboys and lawmen and even doing our own cattle drive in class. Some of the "cows" got away though! During the fourth week in November we will learn about Thanksgiving! In November we will be learning about the Gilded Age (late 1800s) and cover the following topics:

- Immigration and Ellis Island
- Inventions and the Growth of Business
- Leisure Time and Culture
- Child-labor Reform and Rights for Women
- Revival and D.L. Moody

Music

"If music be the food of love, play on." - William Shakespeare

November is a time of year that the students will express their thankfulness through song and activities. We will also continue working hard on our Christmas program music, including motions and special readings.

Our November Composer of the month is Ludwig Van Beethoven.

Important Dates:

Friday, December 7: Clothing check for Christmas program, details will be sent home soon

December 21st: Christmas

Program Day (Attendance is mandatory for the Christmas program and counts as a test grade for each student. *If your student will not be in attendance for any reason, please let me know ASAP.*)

During the month of November, students will:

- Practice Christmas program music and Bible verse
- Learn about Ludwig Van Beethoven and listen to compositions by him
- Learn and sing songs about being thankful

Technology

This month in Technology, our elementary students will learn about the Gnu Image Manipulation Program, which is similar to Photoshop. We will learn about concepts such as layers and have an overview of some photo editing tools. We will attempt to create a fantastic picture featuring a remote location using a green screen. We will also create an anaglyph-the type of picture viewed through red and blue 3d glasses.

Don't forget your 15 minutes of typing practice each week!

PE / Spanish

In Spanish, students will be continuing to add to their vocabulary as well as learning how to answer conversational questions. They will also be learning about the country of Argentina.

This month in PE, we will be working on Baseball drills and skills. Students will be learning how to throw and catch a baseball with a glove. They will be learning the basic skills of being in the outfield.

STEAM

The STEAM lab has been full of energy as the students built pumpkin elevators, catapults and Spider launchers this month. They also used geometry and painted leaves with variegated colors and acute angles.

In the next few weeks we will be focusing on working in groups to use engineering to solve some Thanksgiving related challenges.

Science

With hands-on activity at least once a week, our 3rd graders will have a busy month in November learning about Forces and Motion in Chapter 4 and then Electricity and Magnetism in Chapter 5.

Test/Quiz Dates:

- 11/12 Quiz 4-A
- 11/26 Quiz 4-B
- 11/29 Chapter 4 Test

Art

This month we will continue to learn more of the Elements of Art as we focusing on – LINES, SPACE, TEXTURE, COLOR, and PATTERN.

The third graders will study the history behind the Blue Willow Plate. They will learn the meaning of tint and shade, which they will apply in coloring their Blue Willow plate.