

Room 208

class news



A Note from the Teacher

We did it! We made it through week one! I must say, we have one stellar class this year! I've thoroughly enjoyed getting to know your students.

A few things from this week...

- If your student typically takes the bus after school and needs to be picked up or walk home, please call the office or send a note. Without a parent confirmation, students will be sent on the bus.
- We love to celebrate birthdays, but the Minneapolis School district policy says we need to do so without treats. Thank you in advance for understanding.
- Ixl is a great way to practice math at home. Students all have their new user names and passwords and should be ready to go!

Homework time!

Homework begins this week. Your student will receive math homework on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. They will also get a reading log to track their at home reading minutes. Our monthly goal is 400 minutes, which is about 20 minutes each night.

Dates to remember

- PTO Meeting – Sept. 12
- Hiawatha/Howe Garage Sale – Sept. 15-16
- Hiawatha/Howe Curriculum Night – Sept. 19

Thank You, Mrs. Ekrem

What's Happening in...

This week, we worked mainly on building our classroom community, getting to know each other, and practicing the routines that will help us to be successful learners this year.

Beginning next week, we will dive into academics as we start a new graphing unit in math and a new sound unit in Science.

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A Note from the Teacher

We had a fantastic week together!

A few things from this week...

- We love to celebrate birthdays, but the Minneapolis School district policy says we need to do so without treats. Thank you in advance for understanding.
- We collect pop tops for the Ronald McDonald House! As a third grade, we are trying to beat our last year's record of about 130,000 tops. Every little bit counts, so please send in whatever tabs you have with your student.
<https://www.rmhtwincities.org/pop-tabs/index>
- We have an outstanding practicum student joining us part-time until Christmas. Rachel Gilbertson is a student at St. Catherine University.

Homework time!

Homework is in full swing here in third grade! Math homework is sent home on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Reading logs have been sent home and the goal is to read for 400 minutes this month. This easily breaks down to about 20 minutes/ 5 times per week.

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What's Happening in...

Literacy – We studied why authors write books: to persuade, inform, and entertain. We read books together for examples. We practiced being authors who persuaded, informed, and entertained. We also used a KWL organizer to dig deeper into non-fiction articles about sound.

Math – We studied data and put together a variety of graphs. We reviewed subtraction and began practicing on ixl.com.

Science – We are experimenting with sound! We focused on vibrations and pitch. We are working on recording our observations into Science notebooks.

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