

## Grade 3 January News

I hope everyone had a safe and relaxing holiday season. The star student presentations continue to be very exciting and I look forward to the upcoming presentations. The students have been studying their December word wall words and our January words are: about, especially, except, friendly, knew, new, know, no, myself, really, probably, then, usually, what. Throughout January I will be adding words to the list which I see students misspell in their daily work activities and words that we are using in our science and social studies units.

### Upcoming Events In January

The grade 3 class will be skating on January 25th from 9:30-10:30. Thanks to all parents who have come to help tie skates and to help our new skaters learn to skate.

The home reading incentive program is still ongoing. Remember students it is important to be reading every night and bring in your completed reading sheets so that you will receive a prize. Good Luck and continue reading!

Math homework folders will be sent home at the beginning of the week and are due back by the end of the week.

### Mathematics News

In math, our class has started a unit on numeration with a focus on problem solving and money. When problem solving the students are encouraged to think about the following steps:

Purpose: What is the question asking?

I know: What do you know about the question.

Pictures: Draw pictures to help solve the question.

Numbers: Write number sentences to help solve the question.

Words: Use words from the question to state the answer.

It is a good idea to review adding and subtracting money amounts with your child, as the students need to know money up to \$10.00.

### Reading and Writing

In reading students will be writing a report on a winter story that involves: telling about a favourite part, retelling the story and making a connection. In writing students will start to learn about narrative writing.

### Science

Students will begin a science unit on Forces and Movement. To start the unit the students will learn about what makes things move and then later students will learn about how to stop movement or slow down a moving object.

The Arts

Students will be making a snowflake snowman and then later writing a narrative about their snowman.

Happy New Year! Please send in more pencils, erasers, glue, pencil crayons, whiteboard markers and scissors with your child as our desks are looking a little empty. Thanks Mrs. Josling