

**Ms. Borders’ Monthly Class Newsletter**

**October 31, 2017**



Dear Room 208 Families,

In Math class we have been working on two-digit addition and subtraction with and without regrouping, along with rounding. We also are practicing our basic addition and subtraction facts to build speed and fluency. We login to Xtra Math for fact fluency two or more days a week now and do Ten Marks lessons as a group and independently. You also are able to login from home. If you need the directions sent home again, please let me know!

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Ways to help your third grader at home:

* -Encourage nightly independent reading. This will help in all subject areas and hopefully build a love of literature.
* -Let your child help you prepare meals. Make food such as parfaits, sandwiches, or pizzas using fractions. For example, ask your child to help make a pizza with ¼ of a topping. Or have them help you slice it into equal parts and serve it.
* -Encourage your child to read analog clocks for the time.

Right now, in Science we are learning about life cycles and adaptations. We have been growing and observing Wisconsin Fast Plants. We will get to see their entire growing cycle in only six weeks! This project has led to detailed observations and graphing.

Our Shawnee Prairie Field Trip will be Tuesday, November 7th. We will leave about 9:15 am and return about 1:30 pm. On the day of the trip your child will need to pack a lunch, wear old shoes, and dress for the weather. If your child has had an excessive number of red days on their behavior calendar they will not be allowed to participate.

In Social Studies we finished looking at and creating timelines. We are currently learning about primary and secondary sources for studying history. This is a great time to pull out the old family photos and look closely at how life has changed.

Up Coming Events:

* October 27 First Quarter ended
* October 31 Parent Teacher Conferences
* November 2 Parent Teacher Conferences
* Borders Field Trip November 7
* Baker and Knapke Field Trip November 8
* November 22-24 Thanksgiving Break
* December 21-January 2

Christmas Break

