



Kraft and Smith

The Third Grade Wave

January 2024

Important Dates

January 3rd – Return from Break

January 9th – 10th – MAP Testing

January 12th – End of Quarter Two

January 15th – MLK, Jr. Day

- No School

January 16th – Teacher Workday

- No School

January 19th – Report Cards

January 29th – Teacher Inservice

- No School

January 20th – Report Cards

Reading Log Goal –
Read for 20 minutes
a minimum of four
nights a week.



Learning Targets – January

❄️Reading❄️

- This month, we will be reading folktales. These stories are wonderful for practice with identifying character traits and motivations, and understanding how those can affect plot. Students will also practice identifying morals and themes, using evidence from the texts to support their responses.
- We will also be reading informational text. Students will practice identifying the central (main) ideas and supporting details.

❄️Writing❄️

- In writing, students will write paragraph responses to passages they read. We will look closely at prompts to determine our purpose for writing and use evidence from the passages to help support their responses.
- Our goal is to write paragraphs that:
 - clearly introduce a topic
 - support the topic with details
 - use transition words to connect ideas
 - provide a concluding statement