

# THIRD GRADE TRACK 3 WEEKLY NEWS



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# What have we been learning? #beingstrategic

We've had a terrific week twelve! Here are some highlights in each subject area:

**Reading**: This week we continued to explore **pourquoi tales** like 'Why Poison Dart Frogs are so Colorful.' We also explored **poems** about wood frogs and glass frogs. \*Ask your child to share what they learned about glass frogs!

**Writing**: This week we continued to explore the **narrative framework** by writing our own class pourquoi tale, 'Why Polliwogs Wiggle and Have Long Tails.' \*Ask your child to share about how Paul the Polliwog got a longer tail to win the race!

**Math**: While practicing our multiplication and division facts, we explored equality and determining unknown numbers in equations. We also practiced properties of multiplication including: commutative, identity, associative, and distributive. \*Ask your child to share the 'pizza slice' strategy for making sure both sides of an equation are balanced.

Science & Social Studies: This week we learned all about force and motion by exploring forces like push/pull, gravity, and friction. \*Ask your child to share about our chair races experiment!

#### Reminders & Notes

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#### conferences

I have really enjoyed meeting with parents for conferences! Thanks again for all you do to support your child (and me!)

#### Track out

I hope everyone has a wonderful fall track out!
Please encourage your child to read each day (and log their time in Readvolution).
Also, practice math facts on XtraMath.



## <u>Upcoming Events</u>: #fittingtogether

- Friday, 10/20: Early Release, Track Out Day, & PTA Movie Night 6-8 PM
- Monday, 11/6: McTeacher Night 5-8 PM
- Monday, 11/13: Track back in
- © Tuesday, 11/21: Early Release
- Wednesday—Friday, 11/22-24: Thanksgiving Holiday
- © Friday, 1/12: Readvolution ends
- © Friday, 12/1: Second quarter interims home
- Thursday, 12/21: Early Release
- © Friday, 12/22—Monday, 1/1: Winter Break
- © Friday, 1/5: Second quarter report cards home

#### Specials Next Week:

Specials for the week of 11/13 will be sent closer to track in day!

### Important Information from Sycamore Creek

- \*McTeacher Night: Monday, November 6 is McTeacher Night for SCES! Please visit the Leesville McDonald's between 5 –8 PM to support our school! Mrs. O will be 'working' from 6:15—8PM!
- **\*BackPack Buddies**: Below is the sign up for October BackPack Buddies. If you have any questions, feel free to email Lauren Brand (lbrand@wcpss.net)

  www.SignUpGenius.com/go/508084CAEA822A2F94-back1
- \*Readvolution: In recognition of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Carolina Hurricanes and the Wake County Public School Systems Strategic Plan of Vision 2020, WCPSS and the Carolina Hurricanes are teaming up to bring Readvolution to all of our elementary schools. This partnership will support a community-wide literacy campaign around daily reading outside of school. The goal of this campaign is to highlight the importance of reading in creating college, career ready graduates. We will kick off this event in schools starting October 2nd and an end date of January 12th. Please log your child's books each day, and let me know if you have any questions.