



# THIRD GRADE TRACK 3 WEEKLY NEWS



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## What have we been learning? #beingstrategic

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

**Reading:** This week we continued to explore **pourquoi tales** and the narrative framework (*beginning*: introduce characters and situation; *middle*: introduce problem and response; *end*: wraps up problem and tells point of story). We also brainstormed a whole list of class 'Why' ideas. \*Ask your child to share which Why idea they chose for their story.

**Writing:** This week we continued to explore the **narrative framework** by writing our own pourquoi tale! After writing rough drafts, we revised and edited on our own and also with a partner. \*Ask your child to share details about their story.

**Math:** While practicing our multiplication and division facts, we explored **equality** and determining unknown **variables** in equations. \*Ask your child to share the 12's song for remembering multiples of 12.

**Science & Social Studies:** This week we started learning all about **earth, moon, and sun systems** with Ms. Ferneyhough. We explored how far objects in our solar system are from the sun. \*Ask your child to share about the outdoor 'experiment' they did with Ms. F.



## Reminders & Notes

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## CLASS Spelling Bee



Information about the upcoming Spelling Bee went home on Monday. Please begin practicing words with your child at home. Our class Spelling Bee will be held on Tuesday, 12/19. That person will represent our school on Friday, 1/12.

## IOWA Testing

For those who have received permission forms for IOWA testing—the dates of testing will be Tuesday and Wednesday 11/28 and 11/29. Reading will be on Tuesday and Math on Wednesday.



## Upcoming Events: #fittingtogether

- ☺ Tuesday, 11/21: Early Release
- ☺ Wednesday—Friday, 11/22-24: Thanksgiving Holiday
- ☺ Thursday, 11/30: Student Council Food Drive ends
- ☺ Friday, 12/1: Second quarter interims home
- ☺ Tuesday, 12/19: Class Spelling Bee
- ☺ Thursday, 12/21: Early Release
- ☺ Friday, 12/22—Monday, 1/1: Winter Break
- ☺ Friday, 1/5: Second quarter report cards home
- ☺ Friday, 1/12: Readvolution ends
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## Specials Next Week:

- Group A:** Technology, no specials Tuesday due to Early Release
- Group B:** Guidance, no specials Tuesday due to Early Release

## Important Information from Sycamore Creek

**\*Student Council Food Drive:** What is your favorite Thanksgiving dish? While many of us enjoy our favorite feast, some in our community go without food. The Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC and Student Council are collecting non perishable items this November to help families in our community. Help us show these families that Our Crocs Rock and Our Crocs Care! We are going to be collecting food and household items to donate to students and families that cannot afford the items they need. **We are collecting items from November 1st to November 30th. You can bring them to school and place them in the bins outside the gym.**

**These are some of the items that we need most:** Canned foods like: fruit, veggies, beans, meat, and soup; Cereal; Pasta; Fruit cups; Peanut butter; Paper towel & toilet paper; Tooth brushes & toothpaste; Granola bars & crackers

**\*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.**