

October 7, 2011

Dear Parents,

Wow, did September fly by! October looks to be even busier with marathon activities, MEA, and conferences. Third grade is rolling along smoothly: accomplishing a lot and having fun learning. We have started to learn to write letters in cursive, which the students are finding very exciting and challenging. Soon we will be joining those letters into words.

In language arts we have finished identifying the subject, predicate and what makes a good sentence. We are now working on mastering nouns. We are completing Unit 1 in reading and will have a test on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. This is not a test that can be studied for; it focuses on comprehension of passages read on the test so just a good night sleep will help.

Science class is continuing their unit on animals. The Chapter 2 test is Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Keep working on those animal projects and reading the book of the month on animals.

In Social Studies we are studying our country's geography, landforms, communities and resources. Look for the Chapter 2 test October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Binford's math group is working on addition, subtraction and greater than. Mrs. Bowen's group is comparing and ordering numbers as well as learning the value of money. We will have our Chapter 1 test on Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>.

Please keep in mind that Thursday, October 13 is the last marathon collection day. The children are enthusiastic about their service and donations. Feel free to join us on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 for our class service project to clean St. Michael's cemetery.

We look forward to meeting with you at conferences. (Mrs. Bates will not be available for conferences until 3:30).

Enjoy the beautiful fall weather we are having.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Binford  
Mrs. Bowen