3rd Grade / Allee's Angels Lesson Plans

January 15 - January 19, 2018

<u>Math</u>: Our class continues to focus on multiplication and division and will continue to explore the commutative and distributive properties of multiplication and use number bonds to decompose equations which will assist in finding unknown products for 6, 7 and 8. We will also begin to explore the Associative Property of Multiplication to assist in discovering ways to make multiplying with a two-digit number easier. $(3 \times 14$, for example)

<u>Under the Sea</u>: Students will spend the next 6 weeks under the sea! This week will find students beginning to think about which animal they want to research, write a paper about, and ultimately do an oral presentation on. During class time they will continue to listen to books, watch videos, and explore other resources in order to learn a bit about geography, ocean makeup, and its endangered nature. They will complete some fact gathering, and add to our class bulletin boards in the process. Additional craft projects appropriate to our studies will occur. Our class biome will begin to explode with student-made ocean life!

Language Arts: There will be a new spelling list arriving home in your child's boomerang today. This week's focus is on contractions. GUM activities will have them continue to explore irregular verbs (give and take, eat and sleep), and learn the difference between using "real" and "very". If we keep on schedule, we will learn a bit about "sticky note" note taking. In third grade, we use a color coding process to keep our efforts structured and on topic, so **all work will be completed at school**. We are also reading all-class nonfiction text. This week we'll finish reading about sharks and, if time allows, begin to read about whales. Keyboarding: We will spend part of our computer time returning to keyboarding practice. We will also begin to explore ways to locate good information as we begin to think about our upcoming ocean animal research. If time allows near the end of the week, they might begin to use the computer to locate information about their chosen animal. If not, then that will commence next week.

<u>Spanish</u>: Last week we focused on conversation with greetings and introductions, asking and answering questions such as What is your name? What is your father/mother/sister/brother's name, How many sisters/brothers do you have? This week we will do the same with questions such as Where do you live? Where do you go to school?

<u>Music</u>: We will learn more about the chromatic scale and how we can use it to build other scales.

<u>Wellness</u>: We will be outside sliding for PE. We are going to watch short movies on growth mindset and talk about the many ways to succeed.

<u>Art</u>: We continue to work on our drawings of a snow globe with ourselves inside. We are also working on auction items.

Please be sure to send your children with changes of footwear (We are trying to keep our rugs pleasant to sit on.), as well as outer clothing appropriate to the season. We all need to be outside whenever possible.

It's time to start thinking about the School's Annual Auction...What fun there is to be had at this event! Please keep an eye out for how you will be encouraged to help. Our class' basket theme is "**School Street**" Start sending in your donation any time soon!

Book Orders will be sent home by the end of this week. Please keep an eye out for them!