



3C News - February

Important Dates

Here are some important dates to remember in February:

- February 2nd - Midterm Reports sent home
- February 11th - Valentine's Day Party in a Bag
- February 18th - 12:30 dismissal
- February 21st - No School/Presidents' Day

AR goals and State Testing Preparation

As you know, I am not a fan of assigning students "homework". However, I am asking for your support for the next few months. I try to set aside a few minutes of quiet AR reading per day for the students. I feel nothing helps them develop more as readers than reading books they enjoy on their own. However, I will be using this time for extra math preparation for our upcoming state assessments. Please encourage your student to read at least 15 minutes at night. They have all been making tremendous gains in reading, and reading for enjoyment on your own is a treasured gift that I hope we all encourage.

It seems that I say this every month, but I can't believe how fast this year is going. I hope the students are enjoying their year as much as I am. We have the most amazing class! I enjoy each and every one of them so much. They must have amazing parents! ☺

In Math, we just finished our chapter on division. I am so pleased with how well the students are doing! Practicing those math facts at home has really paid off! Please continue, especially if your student is still struggling to remember them. This is a skill that they will use for the rest of their life. Next, we will begin studying fractions.

We have been working on comparing and contrasting stories. The students are getting better at constructing their responses. The students will be expected to type a response for our state assessment. It is great to see their improvement. Some had never typed before, and they are making great progress.

We will be focusing on African American History this month in Social Studies.

In Reading, we will be studying another novel, I survived, the sinking of the Titanic. After that, we will begin module 6. This entire module focuses on Animal Behaviors. Students will learn about summarizing non-fiction texts, learning to use graphics in text to gather information, and work on identifying the main idea. I look forward to this module because we will be incorporating Science in with our Reading lessons.

