

3rd Grade Newsletter

What have we been learning?

Reading: In reading, we have been learning about the dangers that elephants face in Africa and Asia. Students have been developing their own point of view on these dangers and supporting it with facts from the text. We also have been identifying main idea and supporting details from several articles about elephants. This week we will be focusing on the dangers that seals face in the wild. Students will then use what they know about elephants to develop their point of view of seals by drawing conclusions from the text.

Math: In math, we our into our time unit. Students have learned two ways to tell time, told time to the nearest minute, and learned how to use t-charts and number lines to find elapsed time. This week we will be reviewing these concepts for our assessment covering time on Wednesday. Please continue to review these concepts at home with your child.

Writing: In writing, students have begun to research a topic of their choice. We have also taken notes in our writers notebook. This week students will be organizing their research and begin to develop a research report about their topic.

Science/Social Studies: In science, we have started our changes unit with our first experiment about melting and freezing. This week students will be looking at the process of evaporation. We will also look at the movement of molecules through warm and cold water. Friday we will have an assessment over vocabulary words learned the past two weeks. A study guide will be coming home on Tuesday in their folders.

Important Dates and Things to Remember:

May 20- Interims go home in folders

May 21-Muffins for Mom

May 21-Time Assessment

May 22-Field Trip Morehead Planetarium

May 23-Science Vocabulary Assessment

