

## **News from Mrs. Kittleson's Third Grade**

### **September 7, 2012**

#### **Friday Folders**

Because we have not finished embellishing our folders, Friday Folders are not being sent home today. Besides this letter, a large sheet with information about school picture day (and an attached envelope), a letter from Mrs. Parman about drop-off and pick-up procedures, and a flyer from a dance/martial arts studio are being sent home.

#### **Reading**

We are working on building stamina for "Read to Self," one of the Daily 5 tasks. We have also been practicing writing in our Response Journal. We have been working on fluency by reading some "Mixed Up Mother Goose" poems multiple times.

#### **Math**

Please work with your child at home to help him/her achieve "fact fluency." This means your child can quickly and accurately give answers to addition and subtraction facts. A student who has fluency can look at a fact and instantly say the answer without figuring it out (without using a strategy such as drawing a picture or counting on fingers).

#### **Library**

Today (Day 4 of our rotation) we went to the library for the first time. Students checked out 1-3 books. Books may be checked out for a two week period. We will go to the library again on the next Day 4, which, next week, is Thursday. Any books that students are finished with should be returned to our classroom's book tub by Wednesday afternoon.

#### **Upcoming Dates**

- Week of September 9  
AIMSweb testing (Brief Fluency and Comprehension Assessment)
- Friday, September 14  
Picture Day
- Monday, September 17, 6:00 p.m., LMC  
PTO meeting
- Monday, October 8
  - Fall Conferences 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
  - PTO/Fazoli's Spaghetti Dinner 4 p.m.-7 p.m.