3rd Quarter News

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe that the third quarter of the school year is here! I hope you're all having a wonderful holiday season!

Here is what you can expect for the 3rd quarter:

Curriculum Expectations:

In Reading, we will be finishing up the novel <u>Wonder</u>, by R. J. Palacio. The students are enjoying this book so much! We will continue to use and discuss reading comprehension strategies and reading skills to understand text.

In Math, we will be starting fractions. For those students that still need support for mastery of multiplication facts, please continue to encourage your child to practice at home! This is so important to be successful in math.

In Science, we will begin a research project on animal classification. The majority of this will be done in class. (more details to follow)

In Social Studies, we will continue to focus on the regions in the United States.

We have already begun using IXL(Reading) and Freckle(Math) to support our curriculum this year. The students are able to access this online program from home for extra practice of skills taught in the classroom. It is a great resource to help advance their skills in both reading and math and they seem to really enjoy it!! Student logins were sent home and are written in their planners.

Homework:

-Math will still be given each night.

-In Reading, your child will still be expected to complete the Weekly Reading Log every week. They will be expected to read at least 20 minutes each night (from a book that we are NOT reading together in class) and complete an entry on the reading log. The log should be *brought back to school every Friday*. Your child will receive a weekly grade for completing each entry.

Attendance: Please continue to make sure your child is on time for school. The school day begins at 8am. As a reminder, if a student is absent, they have a day to make up their missed work for each day they're absent. For example, if they are out two days, they have two days to hand in the work after they return to Cassell. Other non absent missing assignments are graded as 0% (missing).

Emails:

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. You can email at <u>kjdandrea@cps.edu</u>. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Tina Killeen

