

# Weekly Update

Mrs. Kohlhepp's 3rd Grade Class

## This Week in 3rd Grade

We've had a fun full week of school! We had our first school-wide Town Hall assembly today, and earlier in the week we practiced our first fire drill of the year. Here's what else we've been up to...

### Reading

We started our first reading unit - Building a Reading Life. We've started using our reading notebooks to respond to what we are reading. Students learned how to use their "schema" (background knowledge) to make connections to what they read. We also did the unit pre-assessment today.

### Writing

We also started our first writing unit - Personal Narratives. Students learned that narrative is just a fancy word for "story" and that when we write personal narratives, we are telling a true story about a small moment in our lives. Students completed the pre-assessment this week, and we started working on how to tell a story in chronological order, using transition words like First, Next, Then, After that, and In the end.

### Math

In math, we explored patterns with addition facts by color coding an addition table and exploring ways to represent these facts on our Number Rack. We did our first Work Places game this week as well, called Make The Sum. It involves placing number cards face down like the game of Memory, turning over cards, and adding the numbers together to make the target sum. They loved this game! We started exploring subtraction facts today, and will continue with subtraction next week. Students will also learn several Work Places games throughout the unit.

## Social Studies

This week, we started our first S.S. unit called Global Connections. This unit will focus on learning geography (map and globe skills) as well as connections to different people and places around the globe. So far, we've learned about continents, oceans, and hemispheres. We also learned that lines of latitude and longitude can be used as a grid system to locate places around the world!

### Photos from This Week:



### Important Dates

- September 26th: NO SCHOOL
- Sept. 27, 28, 30: Pictures (our class's specific date TBD)
- September 29th: Back to School Night (early dismissal)
- October 5th: NO SCHOOL