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Grade 3 Message



Grade 3 students have done exceptional work during this e-learning school year! They've adapted well to the changes and are shining stars, showing us daily that a little thing like a pandemic won't hold them back! The kids have been stellar examples of the BIS Common Expectations and have shown us repeatedly that they are great ambassadors for BIS's Good Habits.

In Homeroom, Ms. Andrea has been reinforcing the BIS Common Expectations. Students are able to practice and model showing respect, empathy, and self-discipline. Ms. Nikhila reads stories and holds discussions about what it means to be a good citizen.

In Literacy, students have been working on story comprehension, delving into a number of different story types from narrative non-fiction to fantasy. They have been practicing comparing and contrasting different elements of what they are reading, as well as learning about cause and effect. We have also been working on honing our phonics skills with lessons on long and short vowels, pluralization, suffixes and prefixes. The kids have been showing us their creative side by writing their own narratives; focusing on using lots of details and descriptive phrases. Have they learned about different sentence types? Yes, they have! Congratulate them!

In Math, students spent the beginning of the semester reviewing their addition and subtraction strategies, as well as adding a few new ones to their arsenal. Next, we delved into graphs, charts and data. Learning how to take surveys to put that information into easily readable (and fun) tally tables, picture graphs, bar graphs, and line plots. We even took on a graphing mystery and managed to figure out whom the greedy gnome was, saving the village from winter starvation! Our latest endeavor has been dipping our toes into multiplication! We're learning all about the different properties and strategies that will help us to be as successful as possible in this newest mathematical journey!

In science, we completed a unit on the Scientific Method, using logic and observation to plan and record our findings…. Then we made stuff explode! We culminated the unit by letting students choose their own experiment to demonstrate for the class. Let me tell you, we have a bunch of Marie Curies and Albert Einstein in this group!

Dates to Remember

Dec.18—Jan.3, 2021

- Winter Holiday

Jan. 4, 2021

- Resume school

In Social Studies, we have been studying communities. We explored the daily life of an elementary school student in Kuwait, Japan, and Puerto Rico… We had great discussions about how surprisingly different AND similar they were! We learned about goods, services, and the producers that sell them, as well as the consumers that buy them.

Every single grade three student has done incredible things so far this year, from adapting to the online school format, becoming so much more independent in their technology use, as well as taking GREAT steps toward ownership of their learning and all the responsibilities and maturity that requires. We are super proud of each of these kids and could not feel luckier to have the opportunity to share the 2020/2021 school year with them. Thank you so much to all of the families, for their love, support, flexibility and trust in both the kids and us; we literally could never have done this without a strong school/home partnership! Semester one was an amazing success, now let's make semester two even BETTER!

Student of January

Dalal AlSaleem	Yasmeen Saleh	Yousef Al Omani	Ari Fullbrook	Jenna Alomani
Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
				

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