

# Third Grade Newsletter

Week of December 4, 2023

## ANNOUNCEMENTS + REMINDERS

### Happy first week of Advent!

**Report Cards:** First trimester report cards will be coming home this Friday. They will be emailed to you.

**Advent Giving-** Our school will be supporting Westside Baby [joy drive](#) during the month of December as a schoolwide Advent project. Items they are in need of include warm coats, gloves, hats and packages of diapers. Donations can be dropped at the WestSide Baby bin near the office inside the school. Families can also donate directly online using their [Amazon Wish List](#). WestSide Baby works with over 100 social service organizations to support 40,000 local kids each year in King County.

**Perfect Uniform on Friday:** Our school mass will be on Friday this week. Students will need to be in perfect uniform.

**Nativity Play:** Our Nativity Play is on Wed. 12/13 at 12:45 PM. Actor costumes should be brought to school in a bag labeled with their name on Mon. 12/11 for dress rehearsals. We are excited to perform for you!

**Christmas Poems:** Third graders will practice in class and are expected to practice at home as well. These poems will be recited in class on December 11. Your help is appreciated!

Star of the week: Ella  
No star next week

## This week we are learning:

### READING NOVEL UNITS:

Boxcar Children: This week, we read chapters 11-12 while students practice writing summary sentences. .

Mr. Popper's Penguins: Students read chapters 19-20 to identify character traits using text evidence and visualize what we're reading. Students will also take their final test on the book.

READING LOGS: Students have new logs for December. Have fun with it! Read Christmas stories together and cozy chapter books by the fire. There is NOT a mini-book report/back for the month of December.

LANGUAGE ARTS: We practice our Christmas Poems and write some fun Christmas stories.

MATH: We continue with our chapter on division. This week we talk about the relationship between division and multiplication and how they are inverse operations.

RELIGION: We use this time to prepare for confession.

Science/Social Studies: We use our science and social studies times to practice for the Nativity play. .

Religion: This Wednesday, December 6th, students will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Fr. Oakland. They will bring a small copy of the steps with the notes they write on the back with them, so they do not have to memorize what they say. Students that have not received the Sacrament of Reconciliation should still take part in the reflections. Fr. Oakland invites those students that have not received the Sacrament of Reconciliation or are not Catholic students to receive a blessing instead of confession.

## Homework

### EVERY NIGHT: READ 20 MIN/FILL IN LOG

Most nights students will have a math sheet.

It will be in the red take-home folder and will be written in the student planner.

**Spelling Words:** three, scrap, street, spring, thrill, scream, strange, throw, string, scrape, spray, threw, strong, scratch \*\*straight

**Spelling Homework:** A spelling homework sheet will come home Monday night and will be due on Thursday. There will be a **spelling test on Friday.**