

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Spring weather is finally here! The following are points of interest in third grade:

- In Math, we are exploring and comparing multiplication and division. The students can use continuous practice with their facts.
- Keeping reading for enjoyment!
- We all enjoyed looking into our town history at the Crane Phillips House.
- NJ ASK assessments have been taken to accustom students to the testing process. The students did a great job!
- NJ ASK testing is on May 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure children get a good night's rest and eat a healthy breakfast so that they are prepared for each day.
- 3G and 3W will go on their field trip on June 12<sup>th</sup> to the Morris Museum. 3N and 3M will go on their field trip on June 14<sup>th</sup> to the Morris Museum. We look forward to exploring the many neat hands-on science exhibits on Simple Machines and Native Americans!

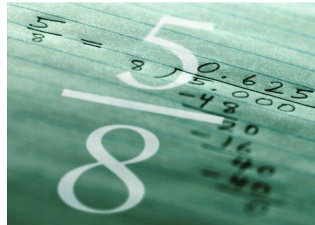


## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

The students are excited to be back at school after the break! During reading, the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students began an exciting new endeavor: the nonfiction unit! The students are identifying types of nonfiction texts and nonfiction text features. The children are eager to begin reading these nonfiction texts. This is going to be a very exciting unit for them. The students continue to incorporate writing strategies to strengthen their writing and make it worth reading. Their vocabulary continues to grow with our Word of the Day program, which is evident in their use of these words in their writing. We encourage the children to also use these words in their daily vernacular.



The students continue to work in smaller groups with different students and teachers to work with fractions. The children are identifying fractions on a number line, working with mixed numbers and improper fractions, and they began simplifying fractions. The children really appreciate working in smaller groups with other classes. This has been a very valuable learning experience.



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The students completed the unit on physical and chemical changes. By participating in experiments, the children were really able to observe what happens during a chemical change. The next unit in science will allow the children to learn about sound. The children will be participating in hands-on activities to explore this unit.

During social studies, the children continue to participate in the Pilgrim simulation.



By completing many activities, such as accumulating food and building houses, the children are able to empathize with the pilgrims and their struggle. By undergoing many tasks that resemble those of the Pilgrims, the children understand the hardships the Pilgrims faced and how difficult it was to survive in the New World.

The students are rapidly becoming experts on the Pilgrims.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade



The fifth grade Science Expo was a success. Students enjoyed sharing their science projects with students and parents. Students utilized the scientific method to plan, conduct, and analyze their science experiment. The students chose their experiments based on their own interest. They created presentation boards and enjoyed showing off their projects.