CTES 3rd Grade News  
March 2020

General News

• Kudos goes out to all of our third graders. They put forth great effort and persevered during MAP testing!
• It is important for students to come to school each day they are well!
• Kickin’ It facts have changed to multiplication facts. Please practice these at home.

A Look at Our Curriculum

*ELA*
We will be finishing up our unit on Historical Perspectives within the next few weeks. Students have been analyzing primary and secondary sources, expository texts, and pieces of literature revolving around the age of exploration. We have been determining:

• What motivates people to explore?
• How do the actions of explorers impact others?

Students will be writing an opinion piece stating if they think exploration was worth the risk.

*Math*
We have been working on Fractions. Students are representing and comparing fractions using models, number lines, and by reasoning about the number of equal parts and the size of the equal parts. In addition, students are exploring equivalent fractions using models and number lines, including fractions equivalent to whole numbers.

*Social Studies*
We completed our Safe Racer unit, and have gone back into Social Studies. This unit focuses on elements of community in various countries in South America. Student will study elements of geography, civics, culture, and history in the countries of Brazil, Chile, Argentina, and Peru.

Upcoming Events

• 3/5—Interims go home
• 3/6—PTA Basket Bingo
• 3/10—Spirit Night at Deli-ish
• 3/11—Picture Day
• 3/20—Ident-a-Kid
• 3/21—Crossroads Spirit Breakfast
• 3/30-4/3 Five Below Spirit Days
• 3/31—PTA Egg Dyeing
Notes from Your Teachers

Now that our first 100 days are behind us, students are looking forward to our next units of study. They have already proven to be problem solvers during our Safe Racer unit. They have taken their tasks seriously and we are hoping to bring home the “gold” for CTES in the county competition later this spring.

Throughout the past month, students have worked on the character trait of unity. We discussed ways to show unity as a school, grade, class, and small group. Keep up the great work! Next month’s virtue is self discipline.

Royal Blue Winners
Jessalyn, Jacob, Grayson, Kennedy, Madi and Coral

Virtue Winners
Blake, Gabriella, Ellie, Keigan, Grace and Barrett

Happy Birthday
Aaron T., Gabe K., Ava P., Barrett F.