

## Dear Parents,

I can't believe we already half through first quarter. Why does time always go by so fast?!?! As you know, every student received an individualized AR Goal for the quarter based on their Reading Street Test Results from the beginning of the year. I have emailed parents your child's goals and where they stand with their goals. Ideally, students should have made it to 50% of their goal at this point in the quarter since we are halfway through. However, I have only a handful that are to that point. I'm afraid that there will be many students not earning the AR party at the end of the quarter if we don't start taking AR quizzes. Unless we're in whole group lessons, I'm pretty flexible on when the kids can take their ARs. They have plenty of time throughout the day to do so. Please encourage your child to read for 20 minutes every night. That is what we suggest at school. I know lives are busy so even reading a bit in the car when traveling to and from sports practices are helpful!

We have been using Alek's software for the last couple week. The kids are adjusting nicely. Alek's is a math software program that is great in helping prepare our students for the state assessment. Kids will work on rote math addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division skills on Quick Tables (just as they did last year), but they will also work on their "Pie" chart that give students questions like they'd see on the state test. Third grade goes to the lab twice a week for 20-30 minutes to work on Alek's. Soon, students will be required to complete 45 minutes of Alek's per week minimum. With going to the lab, students should complete this time goal at school. The only time students may not complete their time goal is if they are absent that day. I will give everyone a heads-up when I start the time goals. Right now, we are just adjusting to the software. Lastly, if students are motivated and just want to work on Alek's at home, they certainly can. They should know their logins/passwords. If you would like to know your child's login information for Alek's or any software we use, I can certainly give that to you should you want it.

I did send out an email regarding uniforms, our class mass and seating and other information. Thank you for taking the time to read about all of this information. Have a great week! Carolyn Bible

<ul> <li><i>Reading:</i> Objectives for week of 9/17/18</li> <li>Reading Skill: Author's Purpose; Story Structure</li> <li>Phonics: Vowel Diphthongs: oi, oy, ou, ow</li> <li>Vocabulary: arranged, bundles, dangerously,</li> <li>errands, excitedly, steady, unwrapped, wobbled</li> <li>Listening Comprehension</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Math: Objectives for week of 9/17/18:</li> <li>Finish Chapter 1 Math Test Review (9/17)</li> <li>Chapter 1 Math Test (9/18)</li> <li>Chapter 2—Represent and Interpret Data</li> <li>Problem Solving/Organize Data</li> <li>Use Picture Graphs</li> <li>Make Picture Graphs</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Social Studies: Objectives for week of 9/17/18</li> <li>Map Skills; Communities; Barefoot Island Project</li> <li>Religion: Objectives for week of 9/17/18</li> <li>Jesus has power over life and death</li> <li>Jesus will come again.</li> <li>When Jesus comes again, he will judge all people</li> <li>Jesus teaches us to love others.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Spelling: Objectives for week of 9/17/18</li> <li>Vowel Digraphs: /ee/, /ea/, /oa/, /ow/</li> <li>1.5 Pretest 9/17/18</li> <li>1.5 Post-test 9/21/18</li> <li>http://cdmacke.wix.com/mrsbiblesthirdgrade#! weekly-spelling-lists/c21w9</li> </ul>

## **Important Reminders:**

- Reading and Spelling Chapter 1.5 Test on Friday, 9/21/18; Chapter 1 Math Test 9/18
- K-3—Mass—9/18/18—3B is leading the Mass
- LOOK AHEAD: Picture Day 9/17/18; Sonic Night @ 5:00pm