



Third Grade News
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Greetings,

There has definitely been a lot of excitement in the air. Maybe it was because of St. Patrick's Day. Many thanks to the Kapusts for the beautiful rainbow cupcakes to celebrate as the students went out the door to "bounce" around in your cars.

Report Cards are coming home today:

The report cards are in the Thursday Envelopes today. Please look them over with your 3rd grader and celebrate. They have all worked hard. You know when you see someone every day you don't realize how much they've grown until you have been apart for awhile. Well, when I put the grades all together and recorded them next to last trimester's grades, I was amazed at how much they have all improved. I am very proud of the little whipper-snappers. Please sign the cards and envelopes and return them as soon as you stop celebrating.

Reserve the dates:

We have set aside the dates from April 14th – April 28th for the students to take the ITBS tests. We are letting you know in advance because of the amount of lead time needed for doctor & dental appointments.

3rd Trimester's Prayers:

Please have your student practice these last few prayers for grading during this trimester: Act of Spiritual Communion, Memorare, Apostles Creed, and The Jesus Prayer. They may test on individual prayers whenever they are ready.

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Hello 3rd grade families!

Last week the class participated in a town hall meeting where the debate-like discussion focused on the question of whether to allow oil drilling in Alaska's National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) or to stop drilling in Alaska. I was so impressed with the students' active participation during the meeting. The student groups representing the fishermen, tribes, U.S. Government, citizens of Alaska, environmentalists, and the oil company blew me away with the strong points they made during the discussion. In the end, the three person panel representing the government of Alaska made the decision, "No more oil drilling in Alaska." The students are now beginning a persuasive writing paper based on their own opinion of whether or not there should be oil drilling in Alaska. We will post these on the bulletin board when they are finished.

Thank you,
Ms. Erdman

Upcoming Tests:

- ★ Spelling Review Test – Fri., Mar. 26th.

Upcoming events...

- **No School** – Tomorrow., Mar. 19th.
- **Stations of The Cross** – Mon., Mar. 22nd @ 8:30 in the gym.
- **Reconciliation** – Wed., Mar. 24th.
- **All School Mass** – Fri., Mar. 26th @9:00am..

Have a Wonderful week,
Sandra Needham and
Stephanie Erdman

