



Mrs. Detmer's Third Grade Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Can you believe it's October already? Starting on Monday, we will begin ITBS testing in third grade. Please make sure your child gets to bed early each night and has a nutritious breakfast each morning. The testing will take up a large portion of each school day, therefore there will be no spelling or reading unit during the week. We will continue with our math and some language lessons during the week. There will be a math test on Thursday over Chapter 2, and it's never too early to start studying.

If anyone would like to send in snacks for the class to enjoy on breaks in between tests you are welcome to do so. Some snack ideas would be: fruit snacks, cookies, individually wrapped snack type items, graham crackers, etc. If you do send in snack items please be sure there is enough for all twelve students. Thank you in advance for any snacks. The treats will provide a much needed break for the students throughout the morning. It also makes testing week a bit more fun than it would be.

Also starting next week is Book-It. The students are highly encouraged to participate in the program. There will be a reward party in May for students who met the requirements five out of the six months. Each month the students need to read 200 pages to earn a free pizza slip. I will send home a book log at the beginning of each month for you to keep track of the number of pages and books read. When you have completed all 200 pages send the log back to school. I will require the students take an AR test on the books they have read. However, once your child has earned all of their AR points for the quarter, I will only require them to give me a brief oral summary of what the book was about.

I have also signed the class up to participate in the Blue's Hockey Reading Program. I am waiting for the packet of paperwork before I can send anything home. It is very similar to the Book-It program, except the students are asked to read 250 pages during the month. I hope to have the paperwork early next week, and I send it home as soon as possible. Happy Reading!

Sorry, there was a lot of important information to let you know about before next week. Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Detmer

Important Dates to Remember

- October 3 -7th ITBS testing week
- Thursday, October 6th - Math Chapter 2 Test
- October 7th - Early dismissal @
- October 10th - Columbus Day, No School

