

# 3B Newsletter



September 2016

Hello everyone!

Welcome to another school year! Over the next couple of weeks I will be busy getting to know each of my students and introducing them to our classroom routines. I am looking forward to working with your child and another great year at Red Deer Lake. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [patterson@fsd38.ab.ca](mailto:patterson@fsd38.ab.ca) or through Remind.

p.s. **Sorry for the delay in the newsletter** 😊

## Math

As we begin the year in math, we will be representing and describing numbers up to 1000. This will involve comparing and ordering numbers, skip counting (by 2, 5, 10, 25, 100), estimating quantities less than 1000, and understanding place value (hundreds, tens and ones). We will also begin exploring addition and subtraction of 2 and 3 digit numbers without regrouping. This will be addressed at a later date.



## Language Arts

We will start by taking a close look at sentence structure. Students will learn how to create more elaborate sentences by adding "describing" words and "flipping the sentence" to explore a variety of ways of saying the same thing. We will also be taking a look at genre by exploring a variety of resources and identifying different formats and purposes of reading materials.



## Social Studies

This year students in 3B will be having Social Studies with Mrs. Lindved-Jensen. They have started the year with mapping and will soon be learning about Quality of Life in the four countries of Peru, India, Tunisia and Ukraine.



## Science

We will be exploring the nature of sound through hands-on activities. Students will learn that vibrations create sound and that changes in vibrations affect loudness, pitch and quality of sound. We will also explore how sound travels through different materials. The conclusion of this unit will involve students making a musical instrument. This activity will be planned, designed and created in class.



## OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Important dates:

September 20: Picture day for 3B  
September 22: Terry Fox run  
September 23: PD Day (No School)  
September 29: Carnival for Kenya

### This month's birthdays:

2 - Elli  
5 - Hyalia  
5 - Cy  
24 - Katherine



### Other important items:

- ❖ Please make sure to take a look at your child's agenda on a daily basis, especially in the upcoming weeks. Please sign any documentation and return by the due date.
- ❖ Please remember to send a healthy snack for your child's morning snack.
- ❖ Your child has been provided with a monthly reading calendar. This month's reading goal is 10 minutes each day. Please sign and return at the end of each month.
- ❖ **Homework will not be assigned unless work is not finished in class.** Kids (and their parents) have a lot on the go and grade 3 is busy enough during the day!
- ❖ Mathletics log-in cards are in the front of your child's agenda. I will unlock assignments when I feel students are ready. Please take advantage of this program for addition math practice, as it is a wonderful resource.
- ❖ Raz Kids will be available soon and I will send that information when it is available.

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