



# News from Mrs. VanderWall's 3rd Grade February 10, 2017



<p><b>Reading:</b> This week we began reading our mystery books. Everyday, groups assign a mission. If the mission isn't accomplished, it has to be finished at home. This helps your child come prepared for their group meeting. Of course, minutes read at home can be counted on the reading calendar. We are busy trying to solve the mystery before it's revealed!</p>	<p><b>Writing:</b> Our realistic fiction stories are coming to an end. We have used a story mountain that introduces the character, states the problem, shows the rising action, gives the solution, and tells what happens next. Yes, we have been working hard!! Their stories are fun and enjoyable to read. I love watching them grow as writers!!</p>
<p><b>Science:</b> Mrs VanSlooten will be teaching science to my students. We'll begin next week!</p>	<p><b>Social Studies:</b> We started our History Unit. There will be quizzes along the way. Some of them will require at home studying.</p>
<p><b>Spelling:</b> Unit 20: controlled vowel r</p> <p>Pretest on Monday. Test on Friday.</p>	<p><b>Math:</b> Unit 3 is coming to an end. Next week we will quiz our latest Big Idea (graphing), review, and test!</p> <p>Remember to do xtramath!!</p>
<p><b>Specials Schedule</b></p> <p>Monday - Art</p> <p>Tuesday - Gym &amp; library</p> <p>Wednesday - Music</p> <p>Thursday - Art</p> <p>Friday - Gym</p>	<p><b>Other Need to Knows!</b></p> <p>Reading Homework 20 minutes 5 times per week.</p> <p>Our Valentine's Party will be on Tuesday at 2:30.</p> <p>Class blog: <a href="http://mvanderw.edublogs.org">mvanderw.edublogs.org</a></p>