



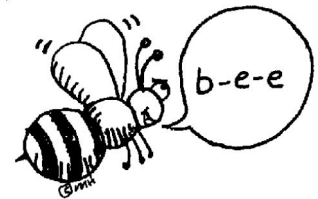
Class News

From the third grade classroom of Mrs. Greene

Highlights

March brings lots of new experiences and beginnings for our third graders. We are rounding out a geometry unit with the study of 3D polyhedra – ask your child to name all of the polyhedra that they see around your house! In writing, most students have published wonderful realistic fiction stories. We are now moving into a month long unit on poetry – attributes of poems, responding to poems, and writing some of our own. In Social Studies, we are continuing our study of Massachusetts and the students are getting ready to make Salt Maps of their state. The kids are loving the unit on simple machines in Science, which involves great teamwork and inquiry based learning. I had quick check-ins with students this week to make sure they know which level of book is “just right” for them at this point in the year. We're working hard and staying very focused!

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More news

- I will be having optional conferences on March 10 & 24 for parents who feel that one is necessary, or if I request one with you. Conferences are kept to a maximum of 15 minutes. Please know that I cannot discuss any placement issues (including children moving to Haynes) at this time. Please send me an email if you would like to request a conference.

- We are fortunate to have published author & illustrator Brian Lies presenting his latest writing ideas to our third grade this month. He will also be teaching a wonderful writing lesson in our classroom. We are lucky to be able to experience his expertise first hand!

Reading tip of the Month

March brings the start of our third grade MCAS exams. We have been preparing and practicing test taking strategies every week in class. You can help your child to succeed by making sure they are well rested, have a good breakfast, and come in with a positive, “I can do it” attitude on the day of the test.