

# narch news

Mrs. Shiflett 3rd Grade Class

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March 10, 2017

\*Remember to spring ahead on Sunday\*





Science: We have been learning about light. Students complete a study guide in class on Monday. Please study with your child at home. They will take the test over light on Tuesday. Remember to sign the study guide and have your child turn in on Tuesday as a homework grade.

**Writing:** This week students picked the topic for their informational writing. This is not a research project. This paper will be written from things they already know. Talk at home about what they picked for their topic and what information they could include in their writing.

Family Fun Night: Third and fourth grade families will have Family Fun Night on Wednesday, March 15th from 5:30-7:30. I hope to see you there.

M-Step: This year the third graders will be taking The Michigan-Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP) which has replaced the MEAP test from years past. As in Previous years, English Language Arts (reading, writing and listening) and Mathematics will be assessed in third grade. The third grade testing window will be Monday, May 1st through Friday, May 26th. To look at sample question Please go to:

https://wbte.drcedirect.com/MI/portals/mi/

You must use GOOGLE CHROME.
Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Typing Skills: In the spring students will take the M-Step electronically. They will be expected to type in their answers. We have been practicing typing at school when possible. Students struggle still to use home row keys and are typing very slowly. Do they know how to type upper case letters? Can they add punctuation? How do you move down lines?

Math Tip—Chef Fraction: Any time there is measuring to be done in the kitchen have your child be your assistant. Have several different measuring cups and discuss with them several ways to get the needed amount. Discuss how a quart of milk is a quarter of a gallon. Have an uncut pizza and slice the pizza and name each piece and how it changes as more slices are made.







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- What does the word predict mean?
- What did you pick for your informational writing topic?
- What happens to light when it hits water? (it bends)

# Teacher Notes

## **MARCH** is Reading Month

Remember 20 minutes before bed gets your child ahead!

### **Upcoming Dates:**

March 17th—Fundraisers Due/Popcorn Friday March 31st—No School April 1st-9th—Spring Break NO SCHOOL April 10th –Return to School April 14th—No School—Good Friday

#### Next Week One School One Book Reading

Monday—Chapter 5 Tuesday—Chapter 6 Wednesday—Chapter 7 Thursday—Chapter 8 Friday—Weekend Activity

**Box Tops**—Send in those box tops and soup label. Let's win the March/April competition.

March \				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3 Popcorn Friday *Fundraiser Kick Off
6 Bully Blue Out	7	8	9	10
13	14	15 3rd/4th Grade Family Fun Night	16	17 Popcorn Friday *Fund raisers Due
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31 No School