



Dasman Model School

3 Yellow Newsletter

February Newsletter, 2009

Dear Parents,

Please note that your child will be studying the following topics at school for the next two weeks.

English - Teachers: Mrs. Iba Hazimeh, Mrs. Rana Allawn

- Week of February 15-19:
 - **Reading:** We will be starting a new unit (Growth and Change). We will read Lesson 12 "Storms" on page 162 in the *Moving Into English* textbook, introduce the new vocabulary and discuss the lesson. The vocabulary in this lesson is: Dangerous, thunder, lightning, spin, predict, computers and prepare.
 - **Grammar:** We will continue discussing nouns and introduce verbs using worksheets from the internet and other Grammar books as well as the Harcourt *Language* handbook. (Proper nouns, singular and plural nouns, articles **a** or **an** before the noun, possessive nouns, pronouns...etc.) and verbs (to be, to have, was and were)
 - **Writing:** Students are to practice writing sentences using their new spelling words. They will practice writing a paragraph using key words to tell about a picture. They will also continue learning about writing a friendly letter. Students will also practice handwriting using the *Handwriting Workout* book.
 - **Spelling:** The spelling words are chosen from the high frequency word list (Dolch Sight Words), the *Moving Into English* textbooks and/or the Harcourt "Collections" Grade 3 *Spelling* practice book. The words for this week are: Cowboy, choice, voice, joint, moist, spoil, royal, annoy, noise and employ. Students will answer pages 28 and 29 in the Collections Spelling Practice Book.
- Week of February 22-24:
 - **Reading:** We will continue reading Lesson 12 "Storms", review the vocabulary and answer the questions on page 169 in the *Moving Into English* textbook. We will read an SRA story; Rose 1 "Who Likes to Swim?" in the Starter Booklet and answer factual questions about it.
 - **Grammar:** We will continue discussing verbs (Past, present and future verbs) using worksheets from the internet and other Grammar books as well as the Harcourt *Language* handbook.
 - **Writing:** Students are to practice writing a friendly letter.
 - **Spelling:** The spelling words are chosen from the Harcourt "Collections" Grade 3 *Spelling* practice book. The words are: Crown, proud, however, count, crowded, around, south, loud, house and shouted. Pages 30 and 31 will be answered.

Math - Teacher: Mrs. Iba Hazimeh, Mrs. Rana Allawn

Using worksheets from the internet, Saxon Math series, Spectrum Math textbooks (Levels 2 and 3) and Harcourt Grade 3 Practice Workbook we will be practicing the following concepts:

- ❑ Week of February 15-19: Students will continue practicing ordinal numbers as well plane and solid figures (cylinder, sphere, cones, cube, square pyramid, rectangular prism). We will also solve word problems and perform basic mental math as well as 3-4 digit whole numbers (addition and subtraction with renaming/regrouping).
- ❑ Week of 22-24: We will practice solving more word problems as well as solving 3-4 digit numbers (addition and subtraction problems with regrouping). We will also continue practicing the concepts of symmetry, congruent figures and similar shapes, patterns, estimation, rounding, flipping, turning and sliding.

Science - Teachers: Mrs. Iba Hazimeh, Mrs. Rana Allawn

Using the Steck Vaughn "Focus On Science" workbook and the Macmillan McGraw-hill text book and workbook as well as worksheets from the internet and other science books and posters from the science laboratory we will be studying the following concepts:

- ❑ Week of February 15-19: Students will look at Chapter 1(Plants). We will discuss lesson 3 (The life cycle of a plant; page A24).
- ❑ Week of February 22-24: We will continue discussing Lesson 3.

Review of Upcoming Tests and events

*The Spelling list is always given on Sunday and the students are tested on Thursday.

National Day- February 25
Liberation Day- February 26

Homework Diaries: Please make sure you sign your child's homework diary every night. All homework assignments and tests will be written into their diaries.

Grade 3 Yellow Teacher

Principal