



# Dasman Model School

## 3 Yellow Newsletter

December Newsletter, 2008

Dear Parents,

I would like to thank you for coming to the Parent-teacher conference. This open line of communication will benefit students greatly.

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

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

- Week of Dec.1:
  - **Reading:** We will continue to read Lesson 7 “Build Together” on page 96 in the *Moving Into English* textbook, review the meaning of new vocabulary and discuss the lesson.
  - **Grammar:** We will continue to study about capitalization and nouns using worksheets from the internet and other Grammar books as well as the Harcourt *Language* handbook. (Proper nouns, plural and singular nouns, articles **a** or **an** before the noun, possessive nouns, pronouns...etc.)
  - **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. 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), from the *Moving Into English* textbooks and/or the Harcourt “Collections” Grade 3 *Spelling* practice book. The words for this week are: least, fast, just, burst, strip, stick, strike, artist, almost and student. Students will answer pages 18 and 19 in the Collections Spelling Practice Book.
  
- Week of Dec.14:
  - **Reading:** We will answer the questions at the end of Lesson 7, “Build Together” on page 103 in the *Moving Into English* textbook.
  - **Grammar:** We will continue discussing capitalization rules and nouns using worksheets from the internet and other Grammar books as well as the Harcourt *Language* handbook.
  - **Writing:** Students are to write interesting information about themselves entitled “All About Me”, such as their hobbies, their favorite food, book, movie...etc. We 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. Related pages from the Collections Spelling practice book will be answered. The words are: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, yesterday, today and tomorrow.
  
- Week of Dec. 21:
  - **Reading:** We will read SRA stories and answer factual questions about them. The stories are: “Mae’s House” and “The Hot Day”.
  - **Grammar:** We will continue discussing nouns using worksheets from the internet and other Grammar books as well as the Harcourt *Language* handbook.
  - **Writing:** Students are to edit or correct any mistakes made on their writing piece, “All About Me”.
  - **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. Related page from the Collections Spelling practice book will be answered. The words for this week are: January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December.

**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 Dec. 1: We will continue to practice skip counting by 3's, 10's and 100's. We will also solve word problems and perform basic mental math as well as identifying even and odd numbers.
- ❑ Week of Dec. 14: We will practice solving word problems and solve 2-3 digit addition and subtraction problems with regrouping. We will also practice place values to the hundred thousands, patterns, estimation and fact families.
- ❑ Week of Dec. 21: We will practice writing 3 digit numbers in a word form, standard form and expanded form as well as finding the order of numbers. (What number comes before, after)? We will also practice rounding to the nearest tens and hundreds.

**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 Dec. 1: Students will learn the different ways to classify animals. (Lesson 7: Kinds of Animals) (Page A68).
- ❑ Week of Dec. 14: Students will learn about Amphibians and Reptiles (Page A 72).
- ❑ Week of Dec. 21: Students will learn about Birds (Page A 73) and Mammals (Page A 74).

**Review of Upcoming Tests and events**

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

\*Arafat Day and Eid Al-Adha Holidays (Dec. 7-11)

\*December Holiday (Dec.25-27)

\*Islamic New Year's and New Year's Holiday (Dec. 28-Jan. 1)

**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**