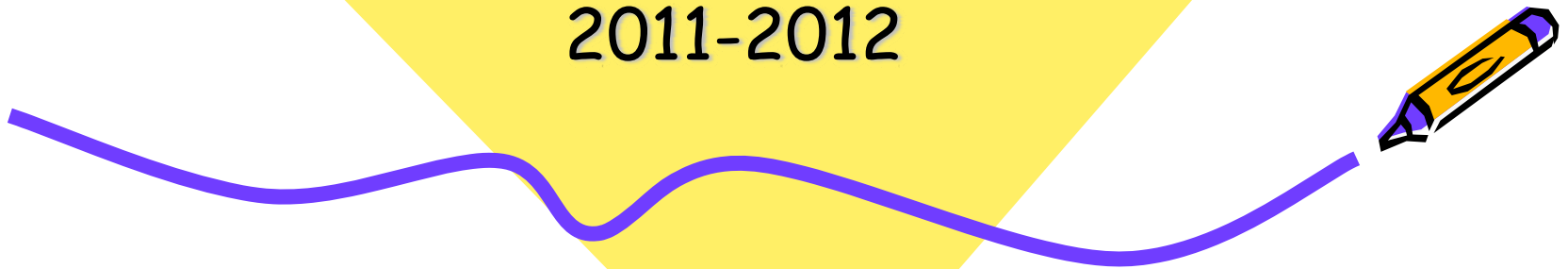




# Welcome to Curriculum Night

Third Grade  
2011-2012





# Reading Readiness

- We will read a variety of stories and discuss various reading components such as sequencing, character personalities, cause and effect, predictions, and vocabulary.
- Novels: We will read one novel per quarter Muggie Maggie, Ramona Quimby, Age 8, War with Grandpa, and Charlotte's Web

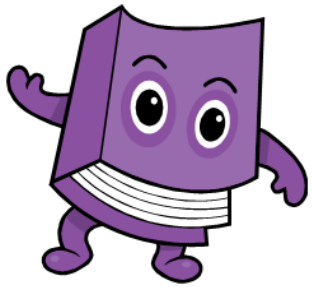




# *Reading Series*

- Reading series: Reading Street Pearson  
Scott Foresman
- On-line component can be used at home
- Various genre of stories
- More non-fiction (Allows us to coordinate reading with other subjects.)
- Supplemental materials for enrichment and remedial work.
- <https://www.pearsonsuccessnet.com>





# Accelerated Reader

- Computerized tests that measure students' Comprehension skills.
- Students have an AR goal each quarter.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter – 12 points
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter – 15 points
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter – 15 points
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter – 20 points

\*\*\* These goals may be adjusted to each student's ability.\*\*\*



# Language Arts



## Phonics

- Students will progress through the workbook focusing on letter sounds, blends, digraphs, and rules. This is the last year your child will have Phonics as a subject.

## Spelling

- Each week the children will complete a four-page lesson and take a dictated Spelling Test on Friday. Challenge words are included. Children need to review and study words at home.

## Handwriting

- Students practice manuscript and begin cursive in October.

# Language Arts



## Vocabulary

- Begins 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter – Students have a vocabulary book. We will complete a lesson every two weeks. The first week will be completing an index card as a study guide for each word and completing most of the exercises for the lesson. The second week will be reviewing the lesson from the book and studying the words. We will test every other Wednesday.
- Website:

[http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/levels\\_a2h.cfm](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/levels_a2h.cfm)

# Language Arts



## Grammar -

- We will use a workbook that correlates with the Reading series to build knowledge of words, sentence structure, parts of speech, and creative writing.

## Daily Oral Language

- We will correct sentences daily as a group that contain age-appropriate English, editing, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation errors. We will discuss grammar rules corresponding with errors such as subject-verb agreement, tense, etc.
- Students will have a quiz every Tuesday.



# Language Arts

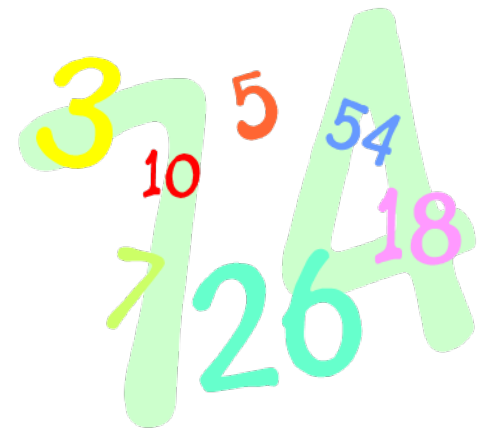
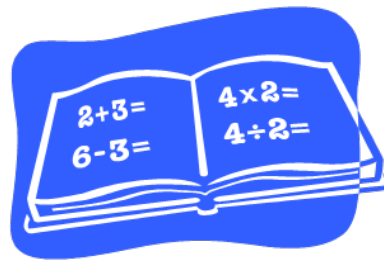
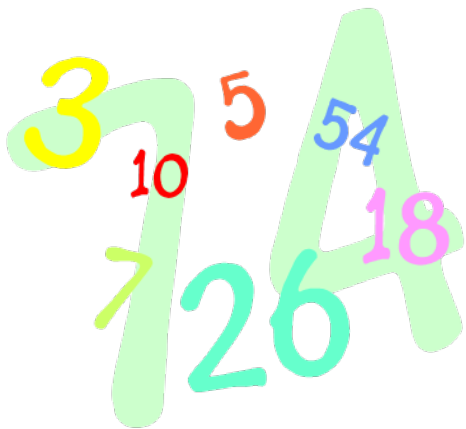
## Writing Sample

- The Writing Sample is taken in grades 3, 5, and 7 to check students' progress in their writing skills.
- Students are required to write about a given topic in paragraph form. The six-traits of writing (Ideas, Organization, Voice, Word Choice, Sentence Fluency, and Conventions) are taken into consideration.
- Assessment will be given in March.



# Math Series

- *Sadlier-Oxford* Progress in Mathematics for grades 1 – 6
- Website:  
[www.progressinmathematics.com](http://www.progressinmathematics.com)

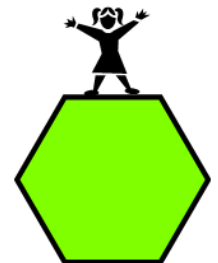




# Mathematics



- Place value
- Money and counting back change
- Probability
- Graphs
- Geometry
- Fractions and decimals
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Measurement – Metric and U.S. standard
- Problem Solving





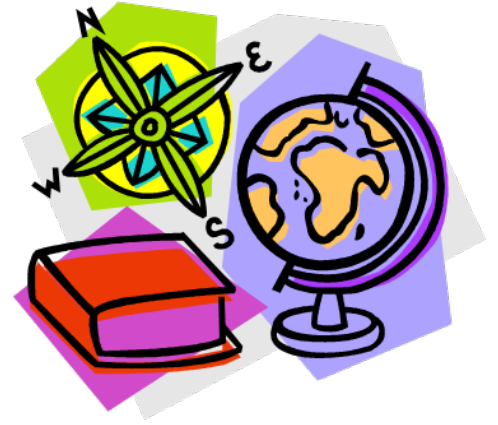
# Religious Teachings

- Blessed Trinity
- Jesus' life and teachings/parables
- Seven Sacraments
- Parts of the Mass
- Saints and their lives
- *Good News* – We will read magazine weekly to prepare students for the gospels on Sundays.
- Website: <http://www.sadlierreligion.com/>



# Social Studies

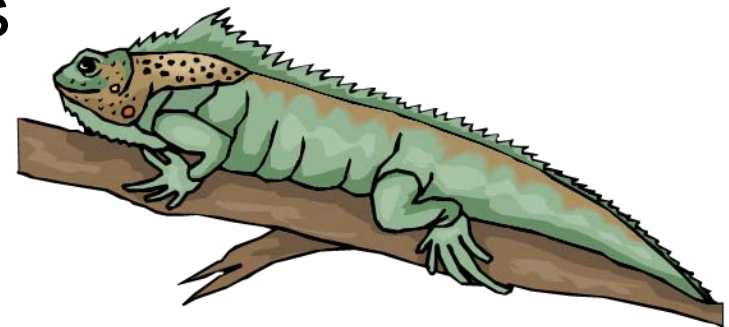
- Communities
- Map Skills
- Native Americans
- Colonial America
- Presidents
- Geography of Antarctica
- Geography of Australia
- Economy – goods and services



# Science



- Natural Resources
- Solar System
- States of Matter
- Water Cycle
- Rock Cycle
- Erosion
- Soil Layers
- Fossils and Geological Times
- Reptiles

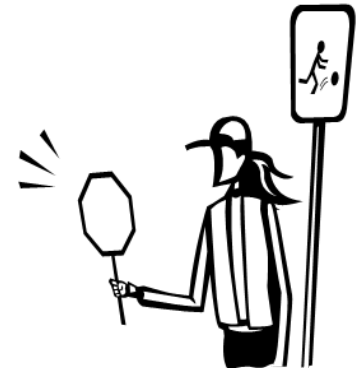


# Health



Health is taught in 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter

- Safety (home, school, bicycle, etc.)
- Medicine safety
- Refusal skills to any risk behavior



# *Thursday*

- No Thursday envelopes – Check on-line Progress Book for important school information.
- Red folder of graded papers every Thursday. Please sign homework slip and return.
- Behavior chart shows all color changes for the past week.

(Return only signed homework slip & Behavior chart in Red folder)



