

Feb. 22 – March 5

*Reading- The children are finishing Family Vacation Malfunction with a variety of activities. They have made a time line of events, written Chapter 23 ½ with their version of what the family did on their last Friday in Florida, and they will soon be presenting a skit that is based on the novel. Our next class novel will be, The Chocolate Touch. While I use these class novels to teach and reinforce reading strategies, each child is expected to be reading a novel of their choice also. I will be having conferences with each child to determine what is being read, if it is the right level for them and how well they are comprehending their book.

*English- The children have done well with verbs and we will move on to adjectives.

*Social Studies- Our timeline is continuing and will include discussions and activities surrounding French and English explorers in Michigan.

*Math-The children are experts in multiplication and division and we will celebrate soon with our ice cream party. I will use the figuring of how many ingredients needed for the party as a partial unit on measurement. Adding, subtracting and equivalent fractions are an ongoing learning practice.

*Science- Force and motion will be investigated.

*Religion- we will discuss the Great Commandment as a prelude for the 10 Commandments.

Rotating Schedule....3/1-5

Monday	tech
Tuesday	art
Wednesday	gym, library
Thursday	music, atrium
Friday	tech, spelling test, Religion quiz, Mass (3 rd grade)

Parents,

I apologize for not updating this sooner...between snow days, New York and a substitute teacher, I was really juggling my lesson plans!

I missed the kids sooo much but New York was worth every minute. We learned from incredible men and women who sent us home with ideas, methods and tools that will help your children to grow and learn. Thank you for your patience while I was gone.

We are still working on the 3rd graders talking. Perhaps a daily reminder from you would help. We have so much to learn and accomplish yet this year and I hate to waste a minute. Actually I could use another hour in each day!!

Have a great week!