**Third Grade Newsletter – October 4, 2019**

**Update**

Students have been very busy this week. We started our geography unit and have been identifying and labeling continents and oceans on a variety of maps. In writing, students are learning to edit their writing during individual teacher meetings and have been hard at work incorporating their edits into their final drafts. In math, we are finishing up place value and moving on to addition and subtraction. In reading, we are reading a variety of genres in our books clubs, and all students are working to improve their reading fluency

**Me Museum Update**

This week students set up “Me Museums” in our classrooms. After arranging their desks in a large open circle, students did a brief oral presentation explaining the significance of their item for each of their classmates. They presented their items with poise and confidence. We are very proud of them!

**Homework**

As we mentioned at back to school night, homework is graded for completion. We do not expect the homework to be 100% correct. Math homework is reviewed together at the beginning of each class.

**Kindness Matters**

We have been working on appropriately greeting each other, using firm handshakes, and using eye contact during conversations. Thank you for supporting these important life skills at home.

**Note from Mrs. Wimble for P.E.**

* Please remember to wear sneakers and comfortable clothing on P.E. days.
* If your child has shoulder length hair (or longer), please make sure they come to school with all hair pulled back.
* Please wear pants or shorts (no dresses or skirts) to allow for full participation.

If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Wimble directly at swimble@fredericksburgacademy.org

**Picture Re-takes**

All school pictures came home in backpacks on Tuesday. If you would like to have your child’s picture taken again, please email your child’s homeroom teacher. Pictures will be taken again on Wednesday, October 16. Original photo packages must be returned by that date. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Corey Fischer directly. You can reach her at cfischer@fredericksburgacademy.org

**Scholastic Book Orders**

If you would like to order books through our Scholastic Book Order program, please look through the information in today’s orange folder. All orders are completed online. We will post a notice on the blog when books have arrived and are sent home. Please follow the directions attached to the scholastic book order form. Thank you!

 **Important Dates**

**October 10----------Parent Teacher Conferences**

 **(evening hours)**

**October 11----------Parent Teacher Conferences**

 **No school**

**October 14----------Fall Break**

 **No School**

**October 16----------Picture-retake day**

**October 31----------Halloween Parade 9:00 a.m. in**

 **in the sports center.**

 **Snack immediately following in**

 **the classroom. Parents are**

 **welcome to attend both**

 **events.**

**Classroom Blog**

<http://blogs.fredericksburgacademy.org/thirdgrade/>