**Third Grade Newsletter—January 24, 2020**

**Update**

This week we began our new unit on George Washington and studied the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In math we are continuing our study of multiplication, and in guided reading we are meeting with our book clubs. We will have a whole class word study next week.

**Recess**

It is cold outside! Please make sure your child has a winter coat and gloves or mittens each day. We enjoy an outside recess each morning for 30 minutes. This can be a very uncomfortable time for children who are not dressed appropriately for the weather.

 **Important Dates**

**January 25 SOFA Yard sale**

**January 30 Free MS production of Annie, Jr.**

**January 31 Upper School Theater**

**Feb. 1 Thurs. 4:00 p.m., Fri. and Sat. 7:00 p.m.**

**February 8 All Ball (LS Student/Adult dance)**

**February 17 LS/US Teacher work day, No school**

 **6:00 p.m.**

**February 19 Mount Vernon field trip**

**We will not be here for lunch—please remember this when you order your lunches.**

**February 24-28 Winter Break—No School**

**March 12 Third grade performance**

 **9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

**March 13 Parent-Teacher Conferences**

 **No school**

**Our blog:**

**http://blogs.fredericksburgacademy.org/thirdgrade/**

**Winter Box Top Drive**

We are collecting Box Tops from now until Winter Break. Thank you for supporting our Box Top drive!

**Field Trip Update**

Our first field trip, on February 19, will be to Mount Vernon. We will not be at school for lunch this day. Please consider this when placing your February lunch orders.

**Performance Costumes**

Students have been working hard to prepare for their big performance on March 12. For both the morning and evening performance, students should dress in dark pants and a top in the following colors:

Mrs. Llufrio’s class:  any shade of red

Mrs. Rosnick’s class:  any shade of blue

**Staying Healthy**

With cold and flu season upon us, we’d like to take a moment to remind parents that if students are running a fever, they cannot attend school for 24 hours after the fever breaks. We are reminding students to wash their hands frequently and not to share snacks. We frequently wipe desks and are hoping to minimize any illnesses in our classrooms. Bundle up and stay healthy!

**Reminders:**

* Please help your child remember to pack a snack each day. If your child forgets his/her snack, we ask them to pull an item out of their lunch.
* Please help your child remember to bring a water bottle to school each day.
* Our students are now attending Falcon Club in the MS MPR.
* Changes to carpool or Falcon Club? Please email us before noon. After noon, please call Ms. Diskin at the front desk and leave a message with her.

**November 11**  **Wear a green, blue or FA shirt!**

**November 18 International Club after school**

 **Junior Master Gardeners after school**

**(students will select one to attend)**

**November 25 11:45 a.m. dismissal**

**November 26-30 No School**

**December 18 Lower School Holiday Program 11:45 a.m. dismissal**