**Third Grade Newsletter—January 31, 2020**

**Update**

This week we continued learning about George Washington. We are also busy practicing our cursive handwriting, writing papers with 4 paragraphs, reading new chapter books, and mastering automatic recall of our math facts.

**Pennies**

We are still collecting pennies for our Lower School Penny Harvest. Students are excited to track each classroom’s progress, and are learning valuable life lessons by participating in this program. If you have misplaced the small water bottle that came home, you may collect pennies in a small ziplock bag and send the bags in at any time. Thank you for your continued support.

**Important Dates**

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

**January 31 Upper School Theater**

**Feb. 1 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/**

**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!

**How To Help Your Child Be Successful In School**

1. **Make sure your child eats breakfast.**
2. **Help your child remember to bring a water bottle and snack each day.**
3. **Make sure your child has outerwear and accessories appropriate for the weather.**
4. **Check the assignment book each night for important updates.**
5. **Support your child with daily homework assignments.**

**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**