



# 3rd Grade Family Newsletter

**Mission:** Elk Meadows Falcons are growing to be resilient, lifelong learners.

**Social Skill:** I can overcome embarrassment and disappointment.

**Date:** December 4, 2023

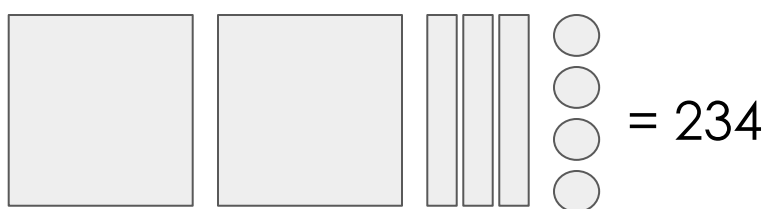
## Grade-Level Events

- Accadience Reading Test December 7th and 8th
- A home reading calendar has been sent home. Students are to read 20 minutes a day. When Students have finished they will hand it in for a small reward.
- Polar Express Class Party- December 19- bring a 5"x15" piece of cardboard wrapped in foil.

## Math

Focus: We are starting a new unit this week. We are moving into addition and subtraction within a thousand. We will be review different strategies and learning the algorithm.

We are going to hit hard in making sure students understand place value. We will be using proof drawings to help cement in this concept and strategies.



## Language Arts

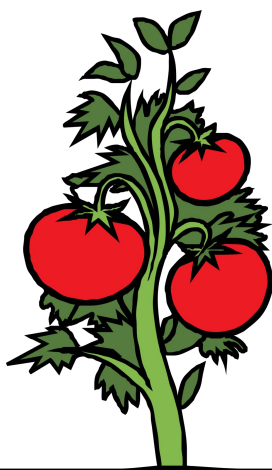
Focus: We are continuing to work on opinion writing. The students have made some awesome improvements. The students have all the parts needed to have an opinion paper. We want to adjust our focus just a little on giving stronger reasons in our paper.

Example: If the topic for the opinion paper is "Would you rather go to the zoo or the aquarium?" Students are giving reasons such as "It is fun." We would like students to give a stronger reason. What makes the zoo fun? Give an example.

## Science

Focus: We will be rotating again for Science rotations in a couple of weeks. Students will be learning from a different 3rd grade teacher for the next 3 weeks. The following is the topic that they will be studying.

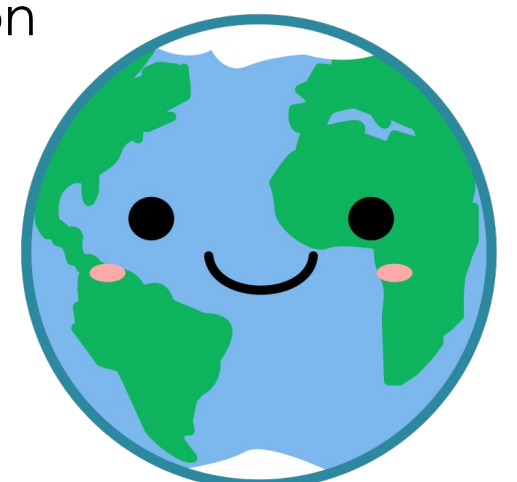
Water and Climate- Mrs. Steenblik  
Motion and Matter- Mrs. Vail  
Structures of Life- Mrs. Huish



## Social Studies

Focus: We will be rotating again for Science/Social Studies rotations. Students will be learning about geography around Utah and explore on Google Earth.

Social Studies- Mrs. Wilkinson



## Family Connection/Additional Information

- Cereal drive and new hats and gloves drive-
- December 14- Orchestra Concert at 6:00 p.m.
- December 19- Holiday Singing at 9:15
- December 22- January 2- Winter Break
- January 3- Welcome back to school!