



# 3rd Grade Family Newsletter

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

**Social Skills Pledge:** I can keep myself calm.

**Date:** September 12, 2023

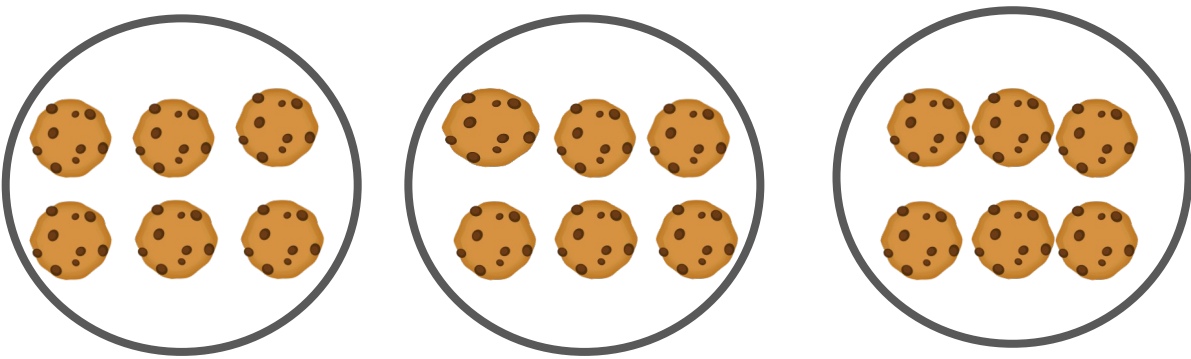
## Grade-Level Events

- We had a great first couple weeks of school. We are excited to work with your child!
- Please see back of paper for an example of a 3rd grade learning scale.
- A home reading calendar has been sent home. Students are to read 20 minutes a day. When 15 days have been recorded, your student will return it and receive a small reward!
- No school Friday, September 22 - Professional Development for Teachers

## Math

Focus: I can understand multiplication by thinking about a equal number of objects in a specific number of groups. For example  $3 \times 6$  is the same as 3 plates (groups) with 6 cookies on each plate.

Example:  $3 \times 6 = 18$     3 groups of 6=18  
 $6+6+6= 18$



## Language Arts

Focus: I can show understanding by asking and answering questions by referring back to the text.

Home Connection:

As your student reads at home, ask questions about what they read. Follow up those questions with where in the text they found the answer or have them explain how they know the answer.

## Science

Focus: This year 3rd graders will rotate through three different science units. They will be learning about Motion and Matter, Water and Climate, and Structures of Life. The following are the units that will be taught by each 3rd grade teacher.

Motion and Matter- Mrs. Vail

Water and Climate- Mrs. Steenblik

Structures of Life- Mrs. Huish



## Social Studies

Focus: In addition to rotating for Science, 3rd graders will also rotate for Social Studies. This year the students will learn about 3 different standards within Social Studies. Geography, Culture in Communities, and Civic Responsibilities.

Mrs. Wilkinson will be teaching social studies.



## Family Connection/Additional Information

- Please sign up for Remind if you haven't already.
- Picture Day is Tuesday, September 26th
- Vision Screening Monday, September 21st.
- 25th Year Carnival Wednesday, September 27th- Program at 5:30 pm and Carnival from 6-8pm