

# Third Grade News

**Ms. Lamonica's** class did an excellent job with their Thanksgiving performance for parents during American Education Week! The children acted out "The First Thanksgiving" and sang songs in the classroom in front of a packed audience!! Now we are excited to be studying the various holidays around the world!! In math, we are finally learning about multiplication and division. We will be ready when Mrs. Rose starts our Fact of the Day!! [\(Fearsome 15\)](#) What a great way to spend December!! Yippee!



Mrs. McLeer's Math students have mastered their addition and subtraction facts. Now they are leaning all the shortcuts for the multiplication and division facts. The children are also singing and dancing to skip counting songs to help master them as well.



**Mrs. McLeer's and Mrs. Wielhouwer's** class just completed a very comprehensive Social Studies project called The Living History Museum. The children chose to be a Pilgrim or an Indian demonstrating a task from the 1620s in Plymouth Massachusetts. This project also served as a fundraiser where parents and staff who visited purchased "turkey tokens" to see and hear the various stations in the museum. The class raised \$150 which will go to Birches Families in need during the holiday season.

**Mrs. Furman's, along with Mrs. Lyon's** class, did an awesome job on their Thanksgiving Play. All the parents who attended said it was fantastic. The children also sang a Thanksgiving song, in which several of the students sang a solo. Our room mothers provide refreshments which were enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Furman's and Mrs. Lyon's class worked on a totem pole project together. The two classes learned about the Native Americans of the Northwest and why and how they used totem poles. The classes then made two totem poles, one standing outside room 10 and the other outside room 52. The children in both classes enjoyed the activity and plan to work on another project together.



The children in **Miss Zeck's** class are participating in the Travel Mate Program again this year. The students brought a stuffed animal to school and a notebook. These travel mates will visit at least 5 places. People will write in the notebooks and send a postcard to school telling what activities the travel mates have been doing. This is a fun way to learn about geography. Miss Zeck's class celebrated a Bon Voyage Party on October 9<sup>th</sup>. The students wrote good-bye letters to their Travel Mates. It was a fun time with some added party music and dancing.



The students learned about the Native Americans in social studies with a focus on the Pilgrims and The First Thanksgiving. The students presented a class Thanksgiving play on November 24<sup>th</sup>. Parents and family members attended this special event.



In November, **Mrs. Cline and Mrs. Marinaro's** class reviewed area and perimeter with a delicious activity. Using Cheez-Its as one-inch units, the children created designs and measured both the area and perimeter of their designs before putting them on grid paper. The designs were awesome and

tasty! Stop by to see them outside our classroom.

We are beginning a new Social Studies unit to learn about the many cultural celebrations that take place in December.

