

Dear Families,

We have two exciting community events coming up! One is the Families' Assembly next Wednesday and the Visibility Exhibit that will come to the lower school the following week.

Third graders are excitedly beginning to write book reviews about their favorite picture book. They are all off to a great start! Ask your child what a book review is and perhaps even practice being book critics by reviewing favorite books at home! Please see the bulletin board outside our classroom for our class written review of The Relatives Came, by Cynthia Rylant.

We have achieved our goal of collecting 1,000 pennies in math! Third graders have been practicing combining and comparing numbers through their collection, as well as through other activities and games, such as Capture 5 on the 300's chart. Support your child's math thinking at home by having them make any daily purchases with you (coffee, snack, groceries, etc...) and figure out what change they should receive.

We are continuing to read and explore poetry in reading. The students are noticing emotional connections in poems and experimenting with poetry that is read aloud by two voices. There may be some homework assignments that ask your child to read a poem to a friend or grown-up or have a poem read to them by a friend or grown-up.

Next week's spelling words are: shall, present, they're, explain, combination, thousand, New Amsterdam and Dutch.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Warmest,

Dot and Becka