

# Heath Hotline

for the week of August 30

BLUE Wednesday ( PE and Library)



## NOTES from our classroom

- ▶ Last week, students had a preview of what our science tests will look like...there will always be a vocabulary match section (and the book will always be available to students for the vocabulary section) and a multiple choice section. We will start a new unit this week on living things; watch for the first test they'll take "on their own" on September 10<sup>th</sup>. They will have review/study guide homework the night before.
- ▶ We will take our first math test this Thursday; it is always a tough one! Watch for study guide homework to come home on Wednesday as a preview to what that test will look like. Thanks for watching graded assignments that are coming home—if there is a note asking the student to make corrections and return, I recommend they have someone at home HELP them make the corrections as they were obviously having some trouble with the skill in the first place.
- ▶ We will be starting Words Their Way (WTW) sorts this week. This is a phonics program that takes the place of a traditional spelling list. Third graders this year will not have a spelling test on Friday; however, most weeks the WTW words will be written in planners so that you can look over them at home and practice them if you choose to.
- ▶ In language arts, we will continue to work on nouns (common/proper; singular/plural) this week.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & MISC.

- **BOOK ORDERS:** September book order forms are coming home today. Book orders are totally optional, but Scholastic does offer a variety of books at good prices. This year online ordering is even easier, and you have a wide variety of catalogs to choose from...all the way from pre-K to 6<sup>th</sup> grade! For now I am just sending home the flyers for Lucky (grades 2-3) and the Welcome Back to School special edition, but you can access other levels online. You can fill out the order form and pay by check (made payable to Scholastic), or you can order online and pay by debit or credit card. **Please see the attached flyer for more information about online ordering.** You will need the class activation code "**GPZB9**" to log in and set up your account. All orders are due back (or ordered online/paid for) by next Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. I will send home book orders monthly, from September through May.
- W.E.S. Grandparents' Day will be held Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, from 1:30 – 2:30. More details will be sent home at a later date.
- **REMINDER: Early dismissal this Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>: 11:00 AM since it is elementary only.** NO SCHOOL on Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. Have a safe & fun Labor Day weekend!

## **Field Trip Information**

**As I mentioned in last week's Hotline, third grade field trips are different from previous years' due to the fact that we have limited space at the destination site. Therefore, we typically have more parents interested in attending than we have spots available to chaperone.**

**Please keep in mind that younger siblings are not allowed on field trips and parents are expected to ride the bus with the class. At the site, you will be responsible for supervising a group of students throughout the day.**

**If you are interested in attending either field trip as a chaperone, please indicate which one(s) below and return this slip. If I have more than four parents interested, I will have a random drawing of all names and then notify the parents drawn, so that you can make arrangement for missing work, etc as soon as possible.**

**Please return this slip by FRIDAY, September 3rd**

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**YES, I am interested in attending to chaperone:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Third Grade Day at the Farm**  
**October 5, 2010**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Franklin County Literature Festival**  
**March 9, 2011**

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**student name**

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**parent name**