



# TIGER PRIDE

JANUARY 14TH, 2021

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### HOLIDAY

JANUARY 17TH

*School not in session*

### FLUORIDE CLINIC

JANUARY 20TH

*For students that have signed up for this program.*



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## December

## Students of the Month



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<p><b>KG</b>  <b>Mrs. McKinney</b>  <i>tmackinney@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>December has Been so busy for such a short month. We have worked on sight words, reading skills, Math, and writing our own stories. We looked at the Gingerbread Man Story and talked about the parts of the story before we made our own version. Everyone used their imagination to make their Gingerbread Stories special. We started a story about a snowman as well as read our sight word books. Everyone was so excited to read them to their grown ups!</p>
<p><b>KG</b>  <b>Miss Greenlaw</b>  <i>sgreenlaw@rsu3.org</i></p>	<div data-bbox="451 306 813 583" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>December has been an exciting month in Kindergarten. In addition to working on reading, bookmaking, and math, we have read many versions of the Gingerbread Man. We have had a great time comparing the stories and making our own Gingerbread puppets. It's been a great month!</p>
<p><b>1</b>  <b>Mrs. Bourgeois</b>  <i>hbougeois@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>Wow December has gone by so quickly! First graders are enthusiastic non-fiction writers. They are teaching their readers facts and information about various topics with their detailed writing and illustrations. I love to see how eager they are to write. As readers we are using what we know about letters and their sounds, as well as, word families and vowel sounds now. It is important to use more than one strategy when reading and trying to solve a word. Readers can look at the picture, look at the word closely and use what they know to sound out the word, and think about what makes sense. In Math we focused on subtraction within 10 and measuring length with non-standard units. Ask your child to compare the lengths of 3 or more objects and put them in order from shortest to longest or longest to shortest. In social studies we are continuing to learn about American Families Now and Then. Some students interviewed grandparents and older staff members at Morse Memorial. Perhaps over the holidays they can talk to their family about how life is the same and different from when they were a child. Please look at your child's home folder daily and clean it out. This is a great opportunity to ask your child to share their work samples and talk to you about what they are learning. Enjoy the holidays and vacation with your family!</p>
<p><b>2</b>  <b>Miss Allisot</b>  <i>eallisot@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>Passports at the gate, second grade has been on a voyage this month. We have seen the matryoshka or nesting dolls of Russia and their version of Santa, Father Frost. We met Sinterklaas in The Netherlands, who has a very similar tradition as Pere Noel, the French Santa. Both leave presents for children in shoes. We finished our travels in Germany comparing gingerbread person stories and learning about their tradition of tinsel. I hope you all have a wonderful and safe holiday season!</p>
<p><b>2</b>  <b>Mrs. Braley</b>  <i>jbrale@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>Let it snow! Let it snow! Let it snow! We have been waiting for more snow at recess! Please remember snow pants, boots, and gloves everyday! We need them to play and stay warm! We have been spending our math time learning about the relationship between addition and subtraction. Fact families and related facts are important in second grade. <math>4+6=10</math>, <math>6+4=10</math>, <math>10-4=6</math>, <math>10-6=4</math>. We are all at different spots in reading but we are practicing our fluency, learning parts of speech like nouns and building our phonics knowledge about blends like /sp/ in spin and /tw/ like twig. Everyone should be reading everyday at home.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>4</b> <b>Miss Chase</b> <i>hchase@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>Students have been doing a wonderful job in the classroom working toward earning a classroom reward for following expectations. We are currently working toward earning extra recess and going sledding! We continue to work on our multiplication unit during math. Students are becoming more fluent with their multiplication facts. We have learned how division relates to multiplication. We got to make hot chocolate mugs and learned how we could share the marshmallows with a friend. We have finished the daily journals during our writing unit, so please be looking for these to come home with your child! I have enjoyed them sharing each day with me. We will begin our informative writing unit after vacation and write research papers about animals. During reading, we continue to practice our routine as we have been starting book clubs.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Gardening</b> <b>Mrs. Johnston</b> <i>djohnston@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>We continue to be out and about in our garden! Thanks to a milder than usual fall, we still have lettuce and kale growing in our school garden. Students are also learning about the spectacular six parts of a plant. We learned that leaves make food for plants and we will soon investigate seeds. A highlight of the month was our Apple Sauce Day! On Wednesday, October 20, students washed, cut, cooked, and processed apples from our very own trees to make homemade apple sauce. It was delicious!!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Library</b> <b>Mrs Quimby</b> <i>aquimby@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>This month, we have been enjoying more stories in the How To Catch A... series in grades k-2. We created snowmen, and turned our youngest students into gingerbread people! They are adorning the walls until break, so keep an eye out for them to come home soon! Grades 3-5 are working on their chapter books, with lots of great discussions stemming from each story. After break, grades 3-5 will begin using our new library computer system, which should make it easier for them to be more independent in finding books, placing holds, and searching for topics they're interested in.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Art</b> <b>Miss Locke</b> <i>alocke@rsu3.org</i></p>	<p>This month our students did lots of artwork to celebrate the start of winter and upcoming holidays. We made many amazing snowflakes, 3-D winter trees, watercolor "stained glass" snowflakes and oil pastel candy canes!</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div>