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3rd Grade Curriculum Night

***Welcome to Monolingual Third
Grade Class***

****Please sign in by the door.***

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- Conference Period-9:10-9:55 a.m. daily
 - New phone number 972-947-9453

Classroom Schedule

- 8:05-9:05 LE3 time (Mondays Club)
- 9:10-9:55 Specials
- 9:55-11:20 Block 1
- 11:20-11:40 Recess
- 11:40-12:10 Lunch
- 12:10-1:35 Block 2
- 1:35-1:50 Recess
- 1:50-3:30 Block 3
- 3:30-3:40 Pack-Up/Wrap Up/ Dismissal



Rules/Expectations

- 1. Respect everyone and everything
- 2. Follow all directions the first time given.
- 3. Be on time and prepared for class daily.
- 4. Keep school and classroom clean and organized.
- 5. Work cooperatively with others.

Rewards

- Dojo points=Lobo Bucks
- Good Notes/Phone Calls Home
 - Verbal Praise
 - Extra Privileges

Language Arts

SPELLING



- **Spelling Tests** will count as a test grade in the Language Arts section of the grade book.

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WRITING

- Students will write across the curriculum by responding to stories they have read, math problem solving, science experiments, and social studies content.
- Students will take 3 formal writing assessments throughout the school year. These assessments will be based on what students have been practicing in narrative writing and expository writing.

GRAMMAR

- Grammar is a combination of word study skills, parts of speech, and sentence structure. These concepts will help students gain an understanding of unfamiliar vocabulary and elements of revising/editing needed in writing.



Reading

- ❖ Third grade reading builds on the basic components of reading:
 - decoding
 - fluency
 - comprehension
- ❖ Students practice these reading components while:
 - Understanding Across All Genres
 - Understanding and Analysis of Literary Texts
 - Understanding and Analysis of Informational Texts
- ❖ Reading is taught throughout the day with integration into other subject areas. Students are giving instruction in whole group and small group settings.



Math

- **Things we will cover this year:**
 - *Place Value/ Number Lines (to 999,999)*
 - *Addition/ Subtraction (by 3 digit)*
 - *Rounding/ Estimation*
 - *Multiplication/ Division (by one digit)*
 - *Patterns/ Charts and Tables*
 - *Time/ Temperature/ Measurement*
 - *Perimeter/ Area*
 - *Fractions*
 - *Probability/ Geometry*



Science

- Students will visit the **science lab and outdoor class** this year to conduct experiments and enrich the science curriculum, as well as scientific investigations within the classroom.

Things we will cover this year:

- Properties of Matter and Changes in Matter
- Weather
- Force, Motion, and Energy
- Nature World
- Solar System
- Characteristics of Living Things
- Structure and Functions of Organisms
- Ecosystems



Social Studies

Third Grade Social Studies is an interactive way to learn about map skills, communities and how they work together to form a society.

Things we will cover this year:

- Mapping Our Community
- Celebrate Freedom Week
- Physical, Human, and Cultural Characteristics of Communities
- People Influence Communities (Heroes)
- Communities Change Over Time
- How Communities Work (Citizens and Government)
- The Free Enterprise System
- Entrepreneurs within the Free Enterprise System
- Choices Affect Communities
- Financial Literacy

Homework



Students are asked to read a minimum of 20 minutes every night.

However, other homework is not given on a routine basis. Our school policy indicates that students who did not finish an assignment in class, **may** be asked to complete it for homework.

That being said, we want to encourage you to work with your student on learning their facts, playing strategy games as a family, and any other area you feel they need to work on.

Students work hard a school each day and we want them to enjoy their families and the outdoors when they get home.



Grading

70% = Daily Grades

Classroom Quizzes

Classroom Assignments

30% = Major Tests

Unit Tests



A-90-100

B-80-89

C-70-79

F-69 or below

Grading Continued

LATE WORK

Work is considered late if the students have not turned in an assignment by the due date.

Penalties for late assignments:

1 day late= -11 points

Makeup work from an absence is due within the allotted time. (One day for each day absent.)

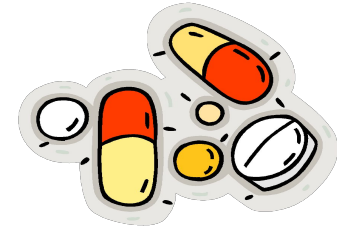
Student or parent may notify the teacher of extenuating circumstances that have occurred that prevent students from completing their assignments.



Attendance

- Cafeteria doors open for breakfast at 7:45 AM, after breakfast students must join the rest of their homeroom in the 3rd grade hallway.
- School starts at 8:05 A.M.
- If students aren't in the classroom by the time the bell rings at 8:05, please check in at the school office before coming to class.
- If a student is absent, they must bring in a **written note or medical excuse** within three days for the absence to be excused.

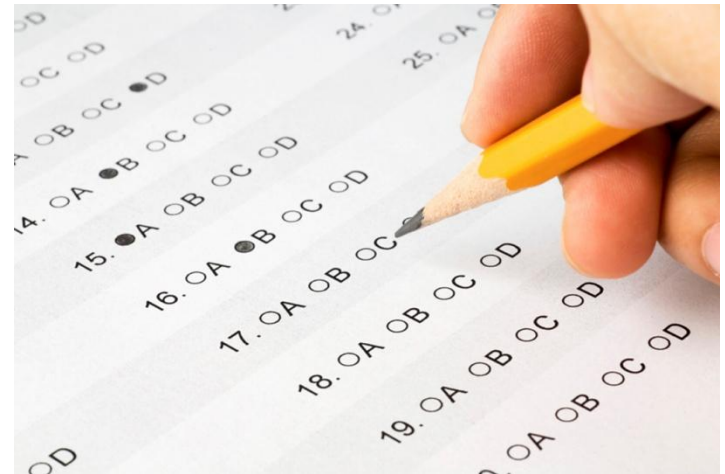
Medicine



- Should your child need medication during the school day please see the nurse.
- All medication should be given to the nurse to store and administer. Medication should be in the original packaging and contain the doctor's instructions.
- Please fill out a medication authorization form in the nurse's office.

STAAR

- **State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness**
- <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/student.assessment/>
- Math- May 14th
- Reading-May 15th
- Timed (4 hour limit), more depth questioning.



Odds/Ends

- Lunch- 11:40-12:10 -You are welcome to come and eat lunch with your child at any time. Please remember that you may not share food with another student.
- If you need to change your child's afternoon transportation, please send a note to school prior to the change or call before 2 p.m. in order to be assured that the change will be made.
- Library- during reading block
- Field Trip-to Sci-Tech Museum. Information will be coming home very soon.

Hackberry Elementary

COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPALS

Hackberry's Mission is to ensure ALL
students learn to high levels!

Where:

Hackberry
Library

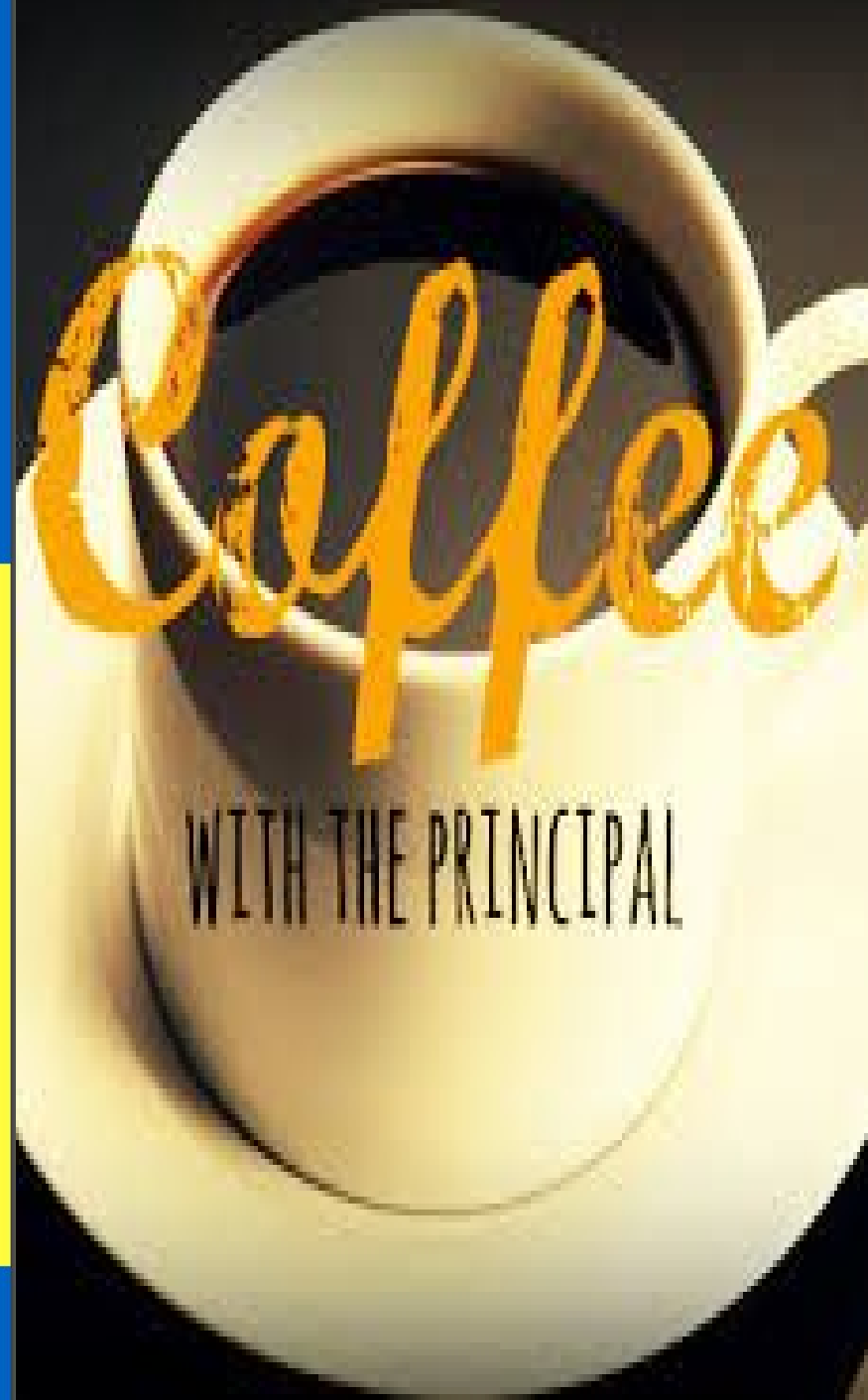
When:

October 6th

Time:

8:30am

**TOPIC: Best Buddies: Helping your
Children Form Positive Friendships**



CLASS MOM

This year our PTA will be working on getting every teacher a classroom mom. If you are interested in this position please sign up on our curriculum night sign in page and we will forward your name to our PTA for more info!





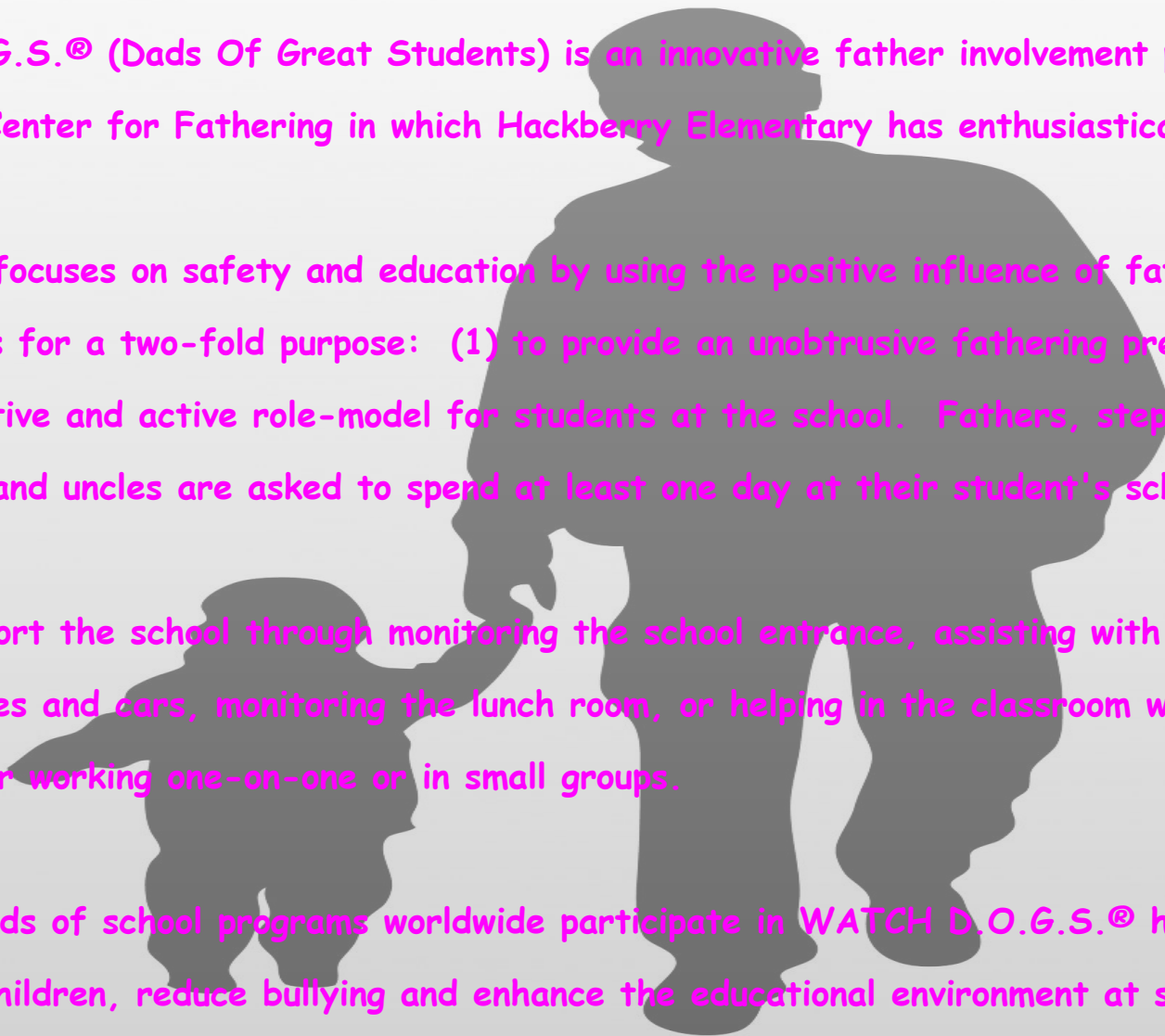
HACKBERRY WATCH DOGS

WATCH D.O.G.S.® (Dads Of Great Students) is an innovative father involvement program offered by the National Center for Fathering in which Hackberry Elementary has enthusiastically adopted.

This program focuses on safety and education by using the positive influence of fathers and father-figures for a two-fold purpose: (1) to provide an unobtrusive fathering presence, and (2) to provide a positive and active role-model for students at the school. Fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers and uncles are asked to spend at least one day at their student's school volunteering.

They will support the school through monitoring the school entrance, assisting with unloading and loading of buses and cars, monitoring the lunch room, or helping in the classroom with a teacher's guidance either working one-on-one or in small groups.

Today thousands of school programs worldwide participate in WATCH D.O.G.S.® helping to engage men, inspire children, reduce bullying and enhance the educational environment at school.



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Thank you for coming!

Don't forget to sign in before you
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