MC900359741[1]**Miss Brede's Bulletin Board**

**Gildersleeve School**

**Room #13**

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Hello One and All!!! Congratulations!!! We survived the first full week of 3rd Grade!!! And what a scorcher, at that!!! The mornings are not too too bad, but the afternoons have been tougher...the water bottles definitely help, so thank you for sending those in each day(our classroom fountain is fixed, but the hallway water is a bit cooler), plus we have been visiting the air-conditioned computer lab to cool off and visit Spelling City or Vocabulary Workshop to practice focus words. I’m sure we’ll be longing for the warmer weather once winter rolls around, but until then we have so much to enjoy!!!

It has been so interesting getting to know one another in so many ways, especially with the wonderful Writing Notebooks that everyone has personalized. Hopefully they were as much fun to make as they have been to share! Next week we’ll start using them as a writing resource. Speaking of writing, hopefully today you will find a Friday Journal coming home. You can look for it almost every Friday to help keep you informed about the sights and sounds of Room #13…I hope you have been hearing all sorts of good things already!!! We did a bit of prewriting to brainstorm topics, but then the writers took off!!! Please take a minute or two to enjoy them and respond before returning the notebooks on Tuesday.

We have been working in Math to get more comfortable with numbers in the ten and hundred thousands in word form, standard form, and expanded form; we’re getting there. This is relatively new learning for everyone, so the more practice we can get the better. Even using playing cards at home and flipping out 5 or 6 cards in a “War” type of card game would help, but of course, you only win if you can correctly identify the number!!! The addition facts look good, subtraction seems to be still developing; keep practicing!!!

In Reading we have been “actively reading and responding” in our Daybooks. These journal type anthologies contain snippets of well-known pieces of literature that allow us to mark up the text as we connect, visualize, question, and predict all in an effort to heighten comprehension. It was impressive to see these skills transfer over to the short passage we read today on Labor Day.

And on that note… \*Remember to proudly display

Enjoy the extended weekend!! those American flags Monday!!!\*

See you Tuesday!!!

P.S. Please let me know if you

have not been receiving the first few emails I sent…I had a few kick back, but I want to make sure I have the correct information for future updates!!!

Soooooooooooooooooo much more to follow!!!