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**3T News**

**Bulletin**

**Curriculum Update**

**Language Arts**

In reading, we have been focusing on identifying the main idea and supporting details of fiction and non-fiction texts. We have also just begun a novel study of *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Patterson.

In writing, we are working on strengthening narration by using a storyteller’s voice, by using lots of detail and showing not telling.

We are also learning to write in cursive. As part of this handwriting unit, I will be sending home extra practice sheets that can be used to review what your child has learned in class. ***These worksheets are optional and do not need to be turned into me****.*

**Math**

We are well into our unit on 2- and 3-digit addition and subtraction. The unit test will take place the week after Teachers’ Convention.

**Science**

Our current unit is called, “Building with a Variety of Materials.” We are taking what we have learned from the “Testing Materials and Designs” unit and applying it to help us build a variety of objects. Students will soon be bringing home their animal creations that they have worked on over the past couple of weeks. The final unit project, in which students will build a bridge, will be marked in much the same way. The animal project can be used as a “practice round” that students should learn from going into the final project.

**Social Studies**

We are learning about the daily life in the four countries, as well as a variety of cultural traditions and celebrations.

**Important Dates – February 2018**

**Wednesday, February 7**:

**- Keenooshayo Winter Olympics**

**- Wear your Jersey if**

**you have one!**

**- Early Dismissal at 12:30 p.m. for Staff Meeting**

**Thursday, Feb. 8 and Friday, Feb. 9:**

**- Teachers’ Convention/**

**No School**

**Wednesday, February 14**

**- Valentine’s Day**

**- Silver Carnival @ 1:15 p.m.**

**Monday, February 19**

**- Family Day/No School**

**Wednesday, Feb. 21 and Thursday, Feb. 22**

**- Parent/Teacher Interviews**

**- Scholastic Book Fair**

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**\*\*\*Please send in this week any newsprint (newspaper and flyers) you have around the house. Large amounts are welcome! We will be using it for a**

**building project**

**this Thursday and**

**Friday.**