

3RD AND 4TH GRADE NEWSLETTER

Ms. Young, Miss Loy, and Mrs. Renfrow | April 2026



ISAT testing (Idaho Standardized Achievement Test) starts the week of April 6th for 3rd and 4th graders. Please make sure your child gets lots of rest and eats a good breakfast on test days.

What We Are Learning:

Math:

Third grade students will solve real-world and mathematical problems involving perimeters of plane figures and areas of rectangles, including finding the perimeter given the side lengths, finding an unknown side length. Students will represent rectangles with the same perimeter and different areas or with the same area and different perimeters; measure and estimate liquid volumes and masses of objects using metric units; add, subtract, multiply, or divide to solve one-step word problems involving masses or volumes that are given in the same units. They will be reviewing for their ISATs.

Fourth grade grade students will also be reviewing for their ISAT tests.

ELA:

Third grade and fourth grade students will be reading How to Eat Fried Worms and answering comprehension questions.

Writing:

Third grade and fourth grade students will be reviewing the format for informational, opinion, and narrative writing.

Social Studies and Science:

Third grade students will develop models to demonstrate that living things, although they have unique and diverse life cycles, all have birth, growth, reproduction, and death in common.

Fourth grade students will develop a model of a simple mechanical wave to describe patterns of amplitude and wavelength and that waves can cause objects to move.

Third grade students will identify different examples of making an economic choice, including consumption of goods and services, using a bank, investing, and budgeting.

Fourth grade will compare and contrast state, local, and tribal governments; identify and explain the basic functions and organization of state and tribal governments

Spelling:

Spelling folders will be sent home every Monday with new words and rules. We will test on Thursdays and reteach missed words on Fridays.*

***Test days are subject to change due to days we may not have school.**

Upcoming Events:

- **Spring Break: 3/30–4/3**
- **ISAT Testing:**
 - 4th is tested on Wednesdays and 3rd on Thursdays. Please ensure your child has lots of rest and eats a good breakfast.
 - Make up tests are May 4th–8th.
- **Spudingo Fundraiser: 4/17**
 - Elementary MPR
 - Dinner 5:00 pm
 - Bingo 6:00 pm
- **Class Dress Up Day: 4/24**
 - Stripes

Reminders:

- Read for at least 20 minutes each night.
- Practice multiplication/ division facts and telling time on an analog clock.
- You are always welcome to stop by, e-mail, call, or volunteer in the classrooms.
 - **Mrs. Renfrow:** jrenfrow@troysd287.org
 - **Miss Loy:** mloy@troysd287.org
 - **Ms. Young:** lyoung@troysd287.org
- Approved snack list reminder (pg. 25 in TES Handbook):
 - Approved snack list for birthdays–fruit, vegetables, cheese. The following items need to be in the original packaging so ingredients can be reviewed: crackers, Oreos, frozen yogurt, frozen juice bars, popcorn, popsicles.

