

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Core Studies**

### **CORE I**

Your child will start their day with CORE I. This core is a multiple studies time. Your child will participate in Writing and Grammar activities, Geography lessons about our United States, Science lessons about the human body, life cycles, weather patterns and much more. During this core your child will be viewing videos that support their learning of the materials. All of the videos are G rated and have educational value. If your child attends Title I class, he or she, may or may not participate in all of the above core studies, but will instead be receiving additional instruction and intense reading support.

### **ALPHA time**

Each day, your child will participate in a multiple activities time. During this twenty-five minute block, classes will be in one of the following, P.E., Music, Drawing/Art, Creative Writing, Keyboarding, Citizenship or beginning Spanish. Each primary teacher will be teaching one of the classes, so your child will get to know all of them.

### **CORE II**

During the second core of the day, your child will be using the SAXON Math program, along with other materials that support and extend the Common Core State Standards. Further along in the school year, your child will have daily practice with the multiplication and division math facts.

### **CORE III**

During our last CORE study of the day, your child will be using the Houghton Mifflin Reading program. (HMH) Each day the students use either the Anchor Text and/or an Informational text during the reading lesson. Each of the units is approximately five to eight stories in length, and takes about the same number of weeks to complete. Our weekly spelling words are connected with each story, so whenever we finish a story, we will send home a new spelling list and information about the new story and its vocabulary.

Your child's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade experience will be well remembered!

Thank you,

Mrs. Reents, Mrs. Hartley, and Mr. Riggs