

# Classroom News

Ms Morgan's Class

January 8, 2018

## Schools back in session!

We are excited to be back in the swing of things in 2018!

Here is a quick look at the beginning of our year thus far!

**Math 2** - We have jumped back into gear with a strong start in Math. Students are currently learning about compatible numbers and regrouping. They have shown great enthusiasm about math in the New Year!

**Math 3** - At the end of the second quarter we had begun our practice of distributive and associative properties. With this foundation we have been able to pick up right where we left off and students are beginning to improve in their abilities to explain their reasoning. This is a skill they will use frequently in their future academics.

**Reading/Writing** - The class has been able to jump right back into reading routines. We are currently focusing on text features in our non-fiction reading. Students are learning to use these features to help them better understand and retrieve information from informational texts. Students will be able to incorporate what they learn into their own writing and social studies research too.

**Science** - We are wrapping up our Science unit on Forces and Motion this week. From here we will be making a final decision on our science fair project and begin the planning stages.

**Social Studies** - Last quarter we began our studies on Native Americans of the Eastern Woodlands. I know I am very passionate about this area of study and it has been so great to see the students respond so passionately to the subject as well. Soon students will begin their own research into the daily lives of Native Americans of the past.

**Passions classes** - Students choices should be turned in tomorrow 1/9. Passions will start up this Thursday.

Due to predicted weather, we will not be going to the Eco-lab at Marian University for our service project this week. We will be staying closer to campus instead. We will plan to take a trip there later on once we have more accommodating weather. It is great to be back and I am looking forward to another great semester!