**May 22-25- No school Memorial Day Holiday**

**May 29 -** Spring Carnival- A note about the carnival went home today. Please read it over to find out how to pre-order your carnival punch card. We hope to see you there!

Third Grade Weekly

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**Math: We looked at equivalent fractions by using models of fractions divided into different amounts of equal parts. We learned that equivalent means the same or equal to. When looking at these fractions we were able to determine if two fractions were equivalent or not equivalent. We also looked at whole numbers as fractions; in other words, those fractions that have a larger numerator and a smaller denominator (e.g. 8/2). We started to compare fractions using models this week, and we will continue this skill next week. A study guide will be sent home soon. *Please remember to continue to work on fluency of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division facts at home.***

**Science: This week, we learned about the importance of habitat preservation by looking at imaginary animals and analyzing their potential for extinction based on their characteristics. We will also be looking at certain physical features that animals use for their defenses.**

**Social Studies: We have finished our study of Michigan geography by creating a labeled and colored map of Michigan. This week we also looked at movement of people, goods, and ideas into and around Michigan. Next week, we will be moving on to a study of economics in Michigan.**

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| **Language Arts Update****The students worked on writing summary paragraphs this week. The major focus of these paragraphs was the concluding sentence. The students needed to first do a close read on the passage and then write a summary on what they read. We are so pleased with their progress. We can tell they are nearly ready for fourth grade!**  |
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