

# Thornton Creek Elementary

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Welcome Back Gators!



We lead. We make a difference.

# Meet the Teachers

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# Parent Communication



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**Email:** Our email addresses are connected to Schoology. If you send us a message there, it will go to our emails as well.

**Schoology:** You can check out your child's coursework and assignments and message us using the message tool.

**Phone Calls:** You can expect phone calls only if/when needed.

**Planners:** Students track daily activities and notes in their planner. You can jot dismissal plans there when you sign/initial each day.

**Attendance:** Please be sure to call the office in the case of an absence.

# Reading Workshop

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Mini-lesson (10-15 minutes)

Reading Practice (30-40 minutes)

- Independent reading
- Guided reading
- Partner reading
- Strategy group
- Conferring



Share/Reflect (3-5 minutes)

Curriculum

- Understanding Characters
- Informational Reading
- Exploring Genres
- Informational Research
- Poetry



# Writing Workshop

Mini-lesson (5-10 minutes)

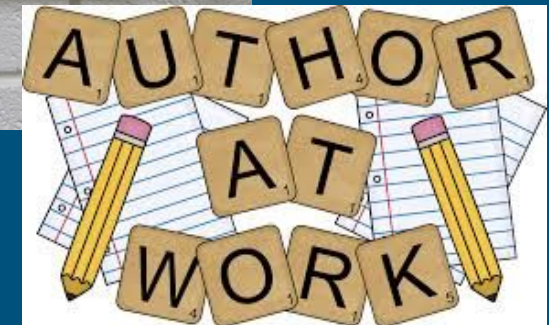
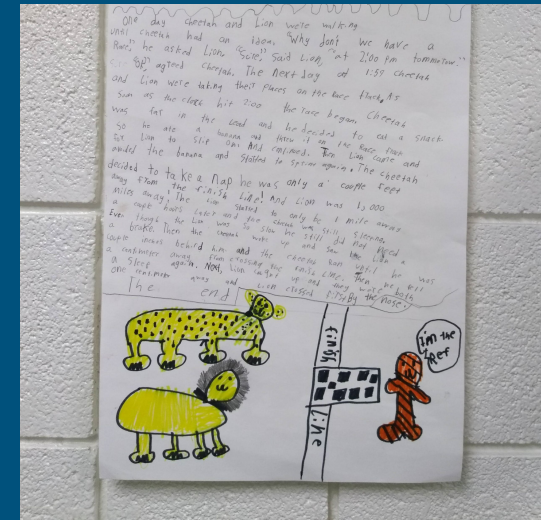
Writing Practice (30-40 minutes)

- Guided writing
- Shared writing
- Strategy group
- Conferring

Share (3-5 minutes)

Curriculum:

- Personal narrative
- Persuasive essay
- Informational writing
- Literary essay (writing about books)
- Informational research writing
- Poetry



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# Word Study/Grammar

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## Students will...

- “Play” with letters and word parts
- Discover rules and patterns to problem-solve new words
- Identify comma placement in dates, lists, and dialogue
- Use appropriate ending punctuation and capitalization

# Math Workshop

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Mini-Lesson (10-15 minutes)

Math Practice (30-40 minutes)

- problem practice
- number talks
- strategy practice
- small groups

Share/Reflection (5 minutes)

# Math Workshop

## Curriculum:

- Add/Subtract whole numbers using place value
- Developing fraction understanding
- Understand multiplication and division
- Measurement, time, and data
- Area and perimeter of rectangles
- Shapes and attributes

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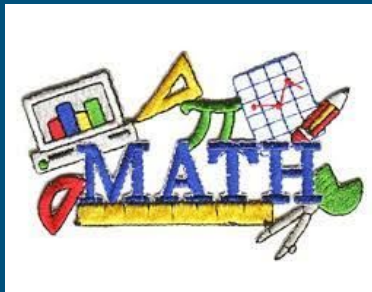
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# Science & Social Studies 3<sup>rd</sup>

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## Science Curriculum:

- Water & Climate
- Structures of Life (crayfish)
- Motion & Matter

## Social Studies Curriculum:

- Geography of Michigan
- Early History of Michigan
- Economy and Growth of Michigan
- Government of Michigan
- Public Issues Facing Michigan Citizens



Thank you so much  
for reading!

We are looking  
forward to a GREAT  
school year!

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