

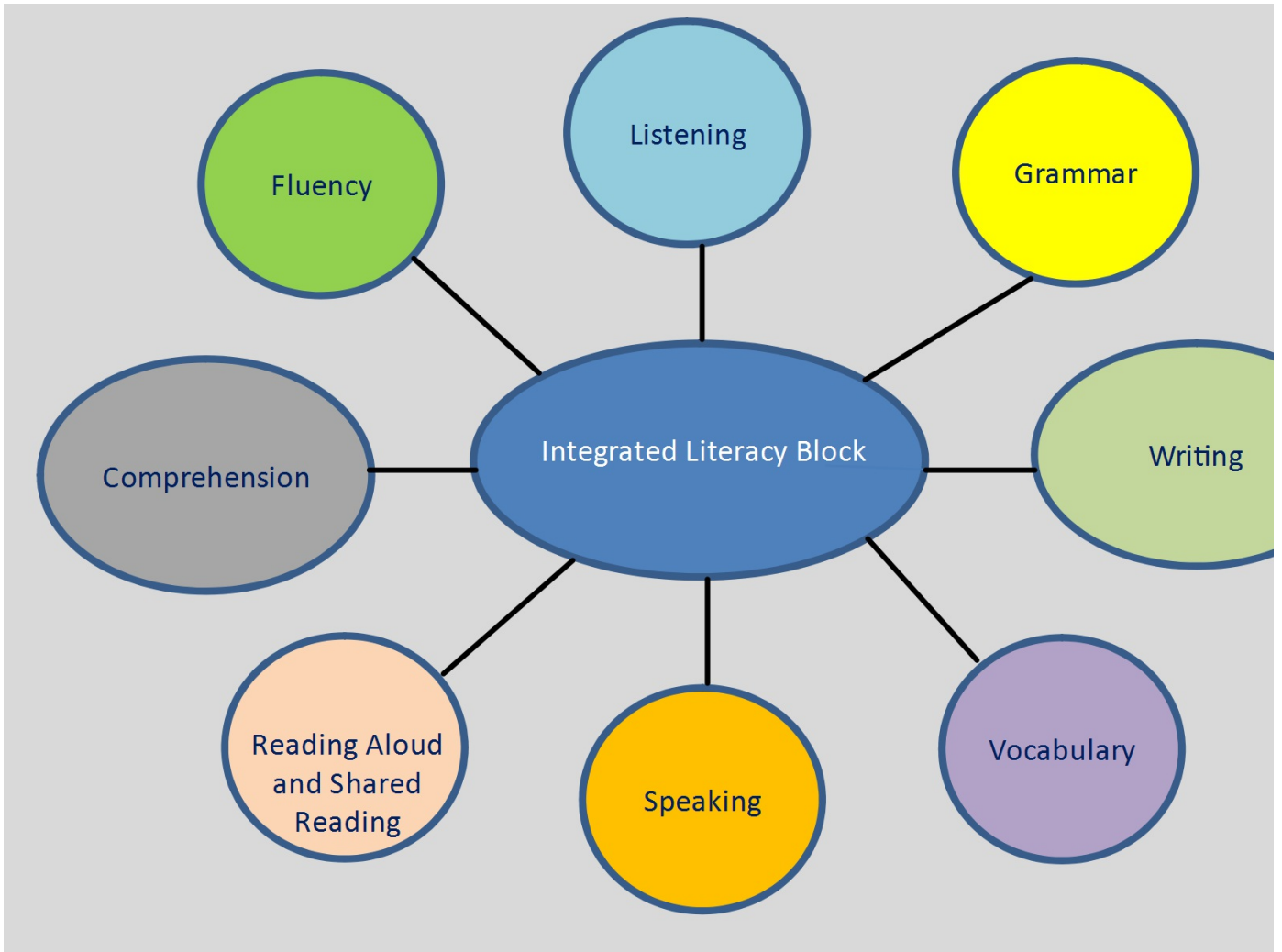


Curriculum Night

2015-2016

Ms. Owens
Third Grade





Curriculum

•Math and Language Arts are based on Common Core standards and delivered in a clear and consistent manner that fits **individual** needs (see handout).

- REAL time (daily)- a time on each grade level for reading enrichment and extra support. (*format TBD this year)
- Science topics will include GA Habitats, Magnets, Thermal Energy/Heat, Rocks and Minerals, and Fossils. UNIT FOLDERS(study nightly/save at home when unit is complete)
- Social Studies topics will include Roots of our Democracy, map skills and various influential American biographies.

Biographies: Paul Revere, Frederick Douglass, Susan B. Anthony, FDR and Eleanor, Mary McLeod Bethune, Thurgood Marshall, Lyndon B. Johnson, and Cesar Chavez. UNIT FOLDERS (save at home)

•***Science and SS will be integrated throughout our ELA and Reading block.***

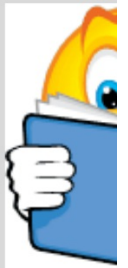


Tools to Achieve Learning

- Anchor Texts (text complexity)(integrated)
- Good Habits, Great Readers (leveled readers)
- Lucy Calkins Writing Workshop
- Binder/interactive notebooks
- Integrated Curriculum with Social Studies, LA, Math, and Science
- Online Resources



(A master sheet of log-ins will be located in the front of your child's binder!)



My Homework Policy

- Homework is given Monday-Thursday on an **as needed basis**. It will vary from teacher to teacher, and student to student. Differentiation applies to HW, as well as classwork. When homework is assigned, the purpose is to practice skills.
- 30-ish minutes Monday-Thursday
- Expected to turn in completed assignments the following day (unless otherwise stated) Textbooks/workbooks should **always** come back the next day. We have only the # of books as we do students. No extras!
 - I *expect* students to read every night. Honor system, no log.

Question: What if there is no paper homework? Check out your child's unit folder, notebooks, and visit 3rd grade teachers' websites for great online practice activities. There's always something to review/practice each night! I will talk with the kids about this extensively I want them to build great study habits!



Assessment

We are continuously assessing students through:

- Quizzes
- Unit Tests
- Observations
- Writing Samples
- Discussions
- Small Group Work
- One-on-one Instruction
- Project Based Learning Tasks and Activities
- Practice, practice, practice!





Testing

- ITBS: October 19th--23rd
 - There is no preparation for this test other than a great night's sleep and a hearty breakfast each day. (Used to compare 3rd graders to other 3rd graders in the country)
- Georgia Milestones- testing window is in April; exact dates TBD. You can visit Georgia DOE website for information about this test. www.gadoe.org

Grading/Report Cards

Home Access Center (HAC) -please register! If you did not use it last year, please get your log-in information from the secretaries. This is an easy way for you to stay up to date on your child's course grade

Report Cards:

*Done electronically, every 9 Weeks

- A 90 and Above
- B 80-89
- C 70-79
- F 69 and Below
- Four times during the school year



BYOT

*Completely voluntary/optional

*MUST connect to filtered wifi network at SBCE. Data/cell plans should be disabled.

*Devices cannot be accessed at lunch, recess, or during any after school program, including Prime Time.

*Rooms will be locked

*No communication via email or texting(students may not contact you)

*Goal of BYOT is to have students creating products in a variety of ways that they could not do with traditional paper and pencil. Additionally, it allows more children access to online content in a more efficient manner.

Start date TBD



How can you help at SBCE?

Volunteering

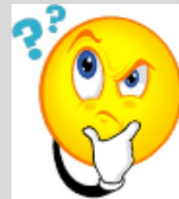
- Science Force (on table)
- Media Center
- Look for opportunities in the Bobcat Tales!



Even if you volunteered in the school last year, you MUST complete mandatory online training again. It must be done 48 hours prior to volunteer date.

- *Be sure you have provided SBCE a current email address to ensure delivery of important information and the Bobcat Tales. If you have not received any emails from Linda Freel or Bridget Hundelt, please make sure to leave your child's homeroom teacher with your updated email address(neatly printed!)

Questions



- Please write down any questions pertaining to the whole class on a sticky note and put it on the rectangular table. I will answer all questions in a timely fashion via email.
- Questions pertaining to your individual child can be addressed via email or during conferences.

Contact Information



- Best Line of communication is via email:
owensl@fultonschools.org Please allow 24 hours for a response during the work week.
- Website: <http://www.owensclassroomsbce.weebly.com>
- * Twitter: [@owens_classroom](#)

Parent-Teacher Conferences

- **Please sign up via Sign-up Genius. (If you did not receive the email prior to tonight, please get the piece of paper that has the link on it.)**

* If you are interested in a conference with your child's MATH teacher, please contact her directly via email. I will be accomodating my math parents, if requested, after October 12th.



