

# 3<sup>rd</sup> GRADE

Parents and Students,

Welcome to the third grade! We look forward to working with you in the next year to maximize your child's full potential. We believe that there needs to be a strong parental involvement in your child's education so that your child is successful.

Parents always ask if there are ways they can help their children over the summer. Below are a few of the things you can do with your children over the summer to help them retain what they learned in second grade and to be ready for third grade. Keep in mind that this is a review of what they already learned in second grade. Please feel free to push your child and go a little further if they are ready.

Remember to read, read, read, all summer! The state has a law that if a third grade student falls far below the reading portion of the AASA (state testing), he/she will need to repeat the third grade. Your child should read at least 20 minutes a day. If you have access to the internet, your child can use Raz-Kids, Imagine Learning, and IXL throughout the summer. If you need help with it, please let me know. The public library and Bookman's also have a great summer reading incentive program to keep your child reading all summer. Your child can also keep a journal over the summer to keep their writing skills up. If you would like additional practice for your child to work on during the summer, the office will have a packet of reading, writing, and math practice that they can complete throughout the summer. Students that return the packet completed at the beginning of the year will receive a prize.

We are asking for your help with the following items for your child. Please label items with your child's name.

- Pencil pouch (no boxes please)
- 24 pencils (NO MECHANICAL PENCILS ALLOWED)
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- 2 boxes of crayons (1 per semester)
- 8 glue sticks (4 per semester)
- Scissors
- Colored pencils
- 4 dry erase markers (2 per semester)
- 1 composition book
- Headphones or earbuds (name written on them) \*can be from dollar store
- Reusable Water Bottle
- Backpack

We thank you in advance if you can help with any of the following items. You may contact us via e-mail during the summer with concerns you may have. We are here to serve you in any way that we can. Thank you and have a wonderful summer!

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