

June 18, 2008

Dear Incoming Third Graders and Parents,

We are excited to welcome you into the third grade! We wish you a fun and relaxing summer vacation, and we look forward to seeing you again in August!

Throughout your upcoming third grade year, you can look forward to learning many new and exciting things. A few of the topics you'll be studying are immigration, multiplication, cursive, biomes, and fairy tales.

To be best prepared for the third grade, we encourage you to keep practicing your math facts and of course, keep reading! Also, in August, we would like to get to know you right away. **So, on the first day of school, please bring a brown paper lunch bag with 3 objects that tell something about you. For example, you could bring a shell if you love the ocean or a photo of someone special to you. Please bring only 3 items so we will have plenty of time to learn about everyone.**

Finally, if you happen to be out shopping this summer, here is a list of supplies that will be helpful for you to have for your third grade year:

- 1—1 inch three-ring binder (no Trapper-Keepers, please)
- 1—1 subject, 70 page spiral-bound, wide-ruled notebook
- 1—8x5 inch pencil box (larger ones take up too much space in desks)
- 1 pair of Fiskar child scissors
- 1 standard ruler that includes inch and centimeter measurements
- 2—two pocket, laminated (shiny) folders
- 2 large pink erasers
- Eraser caps for pencils
- 3 glue sticks
- No more than 12 #2 pencils
- 1 package of 12-16 crayons or 1 box of no more than 12 colored pencils
- 1 package of 8 markers (thin or thick)
- 1 package of 4 or more skinny Expo dry erase markers
- 1 cotton sock (to be used for a dry erase marker)
- 1 yellow highlighter
- 1 medium ball point pen (no black, please)
- 1 box of tissues (preferably anti-bacterial or soft tissues) and/or Clorox wipes for the classroom

Again, we hope you enjoy your summer! See you all on Wednesday, August 27th!

Sincerely,

The Third Grade Team☺