

Third Grade

Welcome to third grade! We have enjoyed the first days of school with your children and look forward to a great school year. The following notes should answer many questions and help you understand the daily activities of third grade.

- We encourage you to log on to Renweb often for an update on weekly plans, homework, announcements and important calendar dates. Weekly homework and plans will be posted by Sunday night, but are always subject to change.
- * Review your child's behavior sheet every night. The behavior sheet can be found in the trapper and should remain there throughout the week. On Friday, remove all graded papers from the Take Home section of the trapper and sign the behavior sheet. Your child should return the signed behavior sheet on Monday morning.
- ❖ Your child will be using an assignment book this year and will copy down all assigned work for the day. This will aid your child in being organized and responsible for their homework. Renweb can be used to confirm accuracy. Keep the assignment book in the front of the trapper.
- ❖ All homework assignments must be turned in on time. A grade of zero will be given for homework that is not turned in or is turned in late.
- ❖ If your child is absent, the teacher will prepare a "grape sheet" indicating all missed work. The student is responsible for turning in all missed work within three days (change from last year). For long illnesses, teachers will be flexible with makeup work. Makeup work not turned in on time will result in a zero.

- ❖ For missed work due to absences, the gradebook will reflect a "1" until student work is made up.
- ❖ Besides addition and subtraction math facts, all children must master their multiplication tables through 12 this year. We use a computer program called IXL. Students will be required to use IXL to practice math facts at least three times a week. These at-home drills count as a homework grade.
- In addition to stories from our reader, third graders will read two chapter books this year.
- When your child brings home a book order form and you order books, complete the form and make a check payable to the book company. No cash please. You can also order online using a credit card.
- ❖ We use handwriting paper for language arts and notebook paper for math. Ink pens and college ruled papers are not used in third grade. Please help us keep your child's pencil bag free of unnecessary pens, markers, etc....
- There will be no separate classroom centers used to record grades.
- ❖ A grade will no longer be given for service projects. We are encouraging students to participate in monthly service and to give from their heart because it is the right thing to do.
- Third grade strives to meet all learning styles. We often offer a variety of assignment formats. Example: traditional paper vs. technology vs. hand-ons projects. We differentiate instruction throughout the year based on learning objectives.

Please email us with any questions. Thank you for your support.

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