

# Welcome to Third Grade!

June 23, 2024



Dear Parents,

We would like to extend a warm welcome to third grade. We look forward to working together with you so that your child has a successful year.

Third grade is a year of transition between the primary and intermediate grades. Therefore, third graders can expect an increase in independent work and responsibility. Together, we will try to make the transition as smooth as possible. Your child will have homework each evening that reviews skills taught during our day. The students will have a homework folder that will come home with them each night. It will have an assignment sheet with a calendar of activities for the week that must be signed each night by a parent when the work is complete. Treating homework as a positive experience and establishing a routine helps students adapt to the new responsibility with greater ease.

There is **much** to look forward to in third grade. Your child can expect to learn about the History of Horseheads, Communities & Cultures around the World, multiplication, division, fractions, structures of animals and properties of magnets to name just a few. Your child will participate in many hands-on projects such as our Wax Museum, Mexican Fiesta, Japanese cultural exchange, several STEM exploration projects and the Australian animal research project. Students will make use of the mobile laptops and iPads in the classroom for research and word processing throughout the year.

**Have a safe and happy summer, keep reading and practicing your addition and subtraction math facts to be ready for learning in the fall!**



Kindly,  
Third Grade Teachers ☺  
Mrs. Calzaretta  
Mrs. Murray  
Mrs. Wolf

The following supplies will help your child to get the **first** day of school off to a good start.

The items listed below **were included** in the PTO supply box. If you did not purchase the PTO supply box these items will need to be brought to school (kits are available for purchase until July 1<sup>st</sup>).

- 1 marble **composition notebook** (**hard covered, no spirals**)
- 4 boxes of 12 pencils (Ticonderoga are preferred.)
- 2 packages of cap erasers
- 2 large glue sticks
- 16 **fine tip** dry erase markers
- 1 package of sharpened colored pencils (Crayola Twistables preferred)
- 2 Highlighters (two different colors)
- Pointed-tip scissors (at least 7 inch student scissors)
- 2 large boxes of tissues
- Ziploc gallon or quart size bags (optional)

The items listed below **are not included** in the PTO supply box.

- Headphones in a Ziploc baggie (unless a pair from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade was left at school)
- 1 cloth or canvas pencil pouch (not a pencil box) that can hold scissors, at least one box of colored pencil, and one glue stick

**We will store the extra pencils, erasers, glue sticks and dry eraser markers to replace supplies throughout the year.**