

Dear future Third Graders -

Here is an overview of What to Expect in Third Grade:

Behavior Expectations:

In third grade we have high expectations for students. We expect students to achieve academically to their fullest potential. We expect students to contribute in a positive manner to our classrooms and we expect all students to follow the Thorndyke R.O.A.R. Expectations.

*R*esponsible

*O*n task

*A*lways Safe

*R*espectful

Planbook:

An agenda / planbook will be provided for each student to copy nightly homework.

Homework:

You will have homework everyday. You will also have long term projects.

Tests:

Tests in Math, English Language Arts, Science and Social Studies are given with notice and we review for these tests in class. It is still important for your child to learn to "STUDY". Quizzes are given without warning to check understanding of concepts.

It is VITAL in third grade that you MEMORIZE your multiplication math facts. If you have a good understanding of them coming into third grade, that is even better.

(**HINT** - Learn them over the summer!)

How to Prepare for Next Year

It is very important that over summer you practice reading every day. We would suggest reading for at least ½ hour. You can read with someone, or you can read along - however you choose to do it... READ! In third grade we will also write about what we read. It would be a good idea to keep a journal of what you read. Be sure to do your summer reading projects!

By third grade we expect you to know your addition and subtraction facts. If you do not have a good understanding of them, please be sure to learn them by the first day of school. Practicing addition and subtraction facts will help you learn more complex multiplication and division we will be learning in third grade. You should also already know how to count money and tell time. These are skills we will build upon in third grade when we learn elapsed time and addition and subtraction of money.

Supplies for Third Grade

- Chromebook (school issued)
- Headphones or Earbuds
- crayons (no more than 24)
- 2 pencils
- 1 pen
- 1 highlighter (your choice of color)
- 2 dry erase markers (your choice of color)
- 1 glue stick
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 eraser
- 4 folders (vinil ones hold up the best) (RED, YELLOW, BLUE and FREE CHOICE)
- 3 composition notebooks (wide ruled) (RED, YELLOW, BLUE)
- headphones / earbuds
- 1 pencil pouch or case (no larger than 5 ½ x 8 ½ inches)
- tissues
- disinfecting wipes
- hand sanitizer

We will supply any of the above materials, but we know that many students like to go “Back to School Shopping”

Third Grade Color Coding Guide:

Red = Reading / Writing

Blue = Math

Yellow = Science / Social Studies