Dear Parents and Guardians of Rising 3rd Graders,

We hope this letter finds you and your family well and ready to begin a fun and relaxing summer! We are looking forward to an opportunity to reset and unwind after a busy school year with a summer full of connecting with family and friends, adventures, and relaxation. We bet you have similar summer priorities for your family too, but may also be thinking of how you can help your child prepare to enter 3rd grade, We will not be sending home the usual summer work packets but wanted to share a few simple ways you can help keep their minds active and ready for the exciting year ahead.

Reading Every Day:

Encourage your child to read every day, even if it's just for 15–20 minutes. Whether it's a chapter book, graphic novel, or a fun nonfiction book about animals or space, reading regularly will help them grow as confident readers. Visiting our own LMS library during summer hours, joining a summer reading program, or finding a reading buddy can make reading even more enjoyable!

Practicing Math Facts:

In 3rd grade, students will build on their understanding of addition and subtraction and begin working more with multiplication and division. Reviewing basic addition and subtraction facts over the summer will help them start the year strong. If your child is ready to move on, they can begin working on their multiplication facts. You can make this practice fun with flash cards, math games, or even free online tools and apps designed for math practice.

Real-World Learning:

Everyday activities like cooking, shopping, or playing board games can be great opportunities to sneak in a little learning. Measuring ingredients, adding up prices, or keeping score in a game can help reinforce important skills in a low-pressure, fun way.

Thank you for being a partner in your child's learning. Your support makes a big difference! We are looking forward to a wonderful school year ahead, full of growth, curiosity, and fun.

Warmly,

Your Future 3rd Grade Teachers

3rd Grade Supply List

Four 1 inch Binders with Front View Pocket (in the colors red, blue, yellow, & green)
One Red, Marbled Composition Book (wide-rule)
Two Packs of Tabbed Binder Dividers
One Package of Lined Loose Leaf Paper (wide-rule)
Pen Style Dry Erase Markers (6-8)
Girls = Bottle of Hand Sanitizer (120z or larger) & Baby Wipes (or any skin safe wipes)
Boys = Tissues & Sanitizing Wipes

For storage and organization purposes, we would prefer the children not bring pencil boxes and/or a lot of personal school supplies. We will be providing the materials (*not listed above*) that they will need for daily work.

If you would like to donate items to add to the classroom supply, that often need to be replenished, we would welcome and appreciate any of the following at any time of the year... Highlighters (*in 4–5 different colors*), Crayola Washable Markers (*thin*), Dry Erase Markers, Sharpies, and/or Papermate Felt Tip Flair Pens (*for self grading*).