

September 2020-2021 School Year

Dear Parents and Guardians:

The Third Grade Team would like to welcome you and your child. We look forward to working with you and your child this year. It is very important that we work together as a team to make sure that your child receives the best education possible under these difficult circumstances. We understand that there may have been some technology issues with logging in and getting set up the first few days. We thank you for your patience and ongoing support. We will continue to work together to ensure things run as smooth as possible. We have included some supplies your child will need to complete assignments.

Thank You,

Third Grade Team

IMPORTANT GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Attendance is very crucial to your child's education. We will take attendance every day. Children are unable to learn and grow if they are not attending class. Please make sure your child log into teams daily, on time, and ready to learn.
2. Notes – All notes can be sent to the teacher's email or the Remind app.
3. Parent Concerns – The Third Grade Teachers feel that your participation is extremely important to your child's education. You can call the school or write to speak with us about any concerns you may have. We promise to get back to you as quickly as we can.
4. Homework – It is essential that your child does his/her **HOMEWORK DAILY**. Homework given reinforces what has been taught in class. If for any reason your child was unable to do the work, please send an email or message in the Remind app. If not, the missing work will be reflected in his/her homework grade.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you need to get in contact with your child's teacher feel free to reach out via phone, e mail, teams chat, or the Remind app.

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BENCHMARK ADVANCE INFORMATION (ELA):

Benchmark is the new ELA program we will use. This instructional program consists of reading components such as; phonics, vocabulary, read alouds, guided reading, writer's workshop, and reader's theater. The Benchmark Advance Program is taught in whole group and small group learning to help your child strengthen their reading skills.

ENGAGE NY MATH MODULES INFORMATION:

During our math block we will be following the Engage NY Math Modules. The children will focus on multiplication, division, and multiple step problems in third grade. They will build their math fluency by practicing timed math warm-ups, review problems to link prior knowledge, concept development ideas, and problem sets.

***Parents please be advised that your child will begin each day from Monday - Thursday with their prep teacher. They will go directly into the prep teacher's Teams meeting and start their day there.**

***On Fridays they will start the day in Mrs. Smith's Teams meeting at 8:45 AM.**

Mrs. Smith's Prep Schedule

Day	Prep	Time
Monday	Vocal Music	9:10-9:40
Tuesday	Gym	9:10-9:40
Wednesday	Gym	9:10-9:40
Thursday	Library	9:10-9:40
*Friday	Art	1:00-1:30