

September 1, 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Grade Three! I am looking forward to an exciting and productive year. I will be sending home a more detailed newsletter next week with more specific information about what your child will be studying this year, but I wanted to send you just a bit about what to expect in regard to homework and scheduling. You will also be able to access the newsletters on line as well.

**Class Schedule**

8:35	Before School Work
9:00	Math
10:00	Reading and Language Arts
10:40	Specialists
11:20	Reading/Language Arts
11:45	Lunch
12:15	Recess
12:35	Reading/Writing Workshop
1:45	Science or Social Studies
2:15	Silent Reading or Teacher Read Aloud
2:30	Homework Folders/Agendas
2:45	Pack up/Dismissal

**Specialist Schedule**

Day A	Music Recorders
Day B	Music with Mrs. Campoli
Day C	Art
Day D	Music with Mrs. Campoli
Day E	Phys. Ed.
Day F	Art
Day G	Phys. Ed.

Technology and Library times will be sent home soon.

## **Homework**

Homework will be sent home each day in a red folder. Students record their homework assignments daily in their agenda books. I will sign before they go home to make sure they have copied the assignment correctly. Please sign the agenda each night. That indicates that you have seen your child's assignment and they have completed it. You can also write to me in the agenda since I will check it each morning.

Math homework and spelling are given each night. In addition to practicing their spelling words nightly, students should practice their addition and subtraction facts. Spelling lists are sent home on Fridays so children have extra time to practice.

A reading log is sent home every day. Students will start the year reading a minimum 15 minutes each night and increasing gradually to 30 minutes. This is a very important part of their homework. Please sign the reading log each night and send it back to school each day.

## **Supplies**

Some of the things we use a lot of are tissues, Clorox wipes, hand soap, paper towels, and white board markers. If you can send any of the above in with your child, it will be appreciated. 😊

I am looking forward to meeting all of you at Open House. If you have any questions or concerns before then, please don't hesitate to call or email me.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Thomas