



Dear parents of students entering Grade 3 in September of 2022:

We are excited and looking forward to welcoming our new Grade 3 students in September.

With the summer break upon us, we have a few suggestions to help keep the students on track academically. Research has shown that students who stay engaged intellectually over the summer have a smoother, more successful transition back to school in September.

Reading:

It is important that students read over the summer to further develop their reading and vocabulary skills. Also, the relaxing days of summer provide more time for children to develop their love of reading, especially if they have the opportunity to choose literature that interests them. Entering grade 3 students are required to read two books of their choice this summer. (See book list with suggested titles for grade level.) For the first book of their choice, students write a summary. For the second book of their choice the students write an opinion paragraph. Please use the book reports forms provided. The book reports are due on the first day of school in September.

Math:

It is imperative that students keep their math skills sharp over the summer. We strongly recommend that students spend time over the summer practicing basic facts (0-12) in addition and subtracting and reviewing essential 2nd grade math skills by completing the summer math packet. Also, there are numerous high interest apps and websites designed for fun learning and reinforcement of math skills. Math packets are due the first day of school in September.

Another excellent resource to help keep basic skills sharp is **Summer Bridge Books**

These workbooks provide practice skills across the curriculum. They are leveled by grade, so look for the book that says 2nd Grade entering 3rd grade on the cover.

We hope you find these suggestions helpful! We look forward to meeting you in September and having the privilege of teaching your children.

Sincerely,

The Grade 3 Team