

Welcome to Third Grade!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to an exciting year in third grade! I am thrilled to partner with you in supporting your child's academic journey. This year, your child will explore a wide range of engaging and rigorous learning experiences in both English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics, designed to build strong foundational skills and prepare them for future success.

English Language Arts (ELA)

In ELA, students will:

- Strengthen their reading fluency and comprehension.
- Learn to decode and encode words using phonics strategies.
- Develop cursive handwriting skills.
- Expand their understanding of grammar and vocabulary.
- Analyze texts for structure, style, and author's craft.
- Engage in collaborative discussions and presentations.
- Participate in research and writing projects that deepen their understanding of texts and topics.

These skills will help students become confident readers and writers who can think critically and express themselves clearly.

Mathematics

In Math, students will:

- Build strong problem-solving habits and mathematical reasoning.
- Work with numbers up to 10,000, including rounding, comparing, and place value.
- Solve real-life problems using addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.
- Explore fractions using visual models.
- Measure and analyze length, volume, mass, and time.
- Study geometry, including shapes, area, and perimeter.
- Interpret and create graphs and data displays.

Students will also develop important mathematical practices such as perseverance, precision, and collaboration.

Georgia Milestones Assessment

This year, your child will take the Georgia Milestones Assessment, which measures their progress in reading, writing, and math. This assessment helps us understand how well students are mastering the standards and guides future instruction.

We encourage you to stay involved by reading with your child, practicing math facts, and maintaining open communication with me throughout the year. Together, we can make this a successful and enriching year for your child!

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about the curriculum, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Warm regards,
Mrs. Marbury
Third Grade Teacher