

Dear 3<sup>rd</sup> Grader,

I am looking forward to having you in my class this year! We will have fun times learning about Ancient Cultures and what it was like to live back in early history. We'll begin with Ancient Mesopotamia (where Abraham lived.)

Assignments:

1. In order for all of us to get to know each other, I would like you to write a page telling the class all about you. There may be some classmates who are new, or don't know you very well. We'd like to learn about your family, the things you enjoy doing and maybe some of the fun adventures you have had this summer. We will share our writing on the first day of school.

## 2. REQUIRED KEYBOARDING:

- **Minimum of two hours of keyboarding practice.** During second grade, your child successfully completed a program through Dance Mat Typing that taught keyboarding using home row start position and 10 finger typing. Please help him/her maintain the skills learned by allowing typing activities over the summer. In third grade, students will have more access to computers and more opportunity to type final assignments, so it is increasingly important for students to develop and maintain typing skills even over vacations.
- **Parents:** Please help and encourage your child to maintain **home row position** and to **use the correct fingers** on the keys.
- Recommended keyboarding sites can be found at:  
<https://edtechideas.com/keyboarding-sites-for-kids/>
- If possible, please maintain an informal log of summer practice time. The student will receive credit in L&CS Class for practice time completed.

3. Please practice math facts (addition and subtraction), so you know them very well on our first day together.

4. Please complete your summer reading (See Summer Reading List on Renweb.)

Please bring a picture of yourself and the following items:

NIV Bible	Markers (plain and dry-erase)
Journal	Crayons-8 count
Tissues	Glue sticks
Wipes	Scissors
Art smock	Composition book <b>marble cover, 100 ct</b>
Pencils and small pencil box	

**You will also need the following for Library/Research Skills**

- One sturdy 1-inch thick, hard-sided, 3-ring binder
- 25 plastic sheet protectors, put inside the binder

This same binder will travel with your child in grades 3-5. It will be collected each June to hand back each September. The contents of the binder will be checked during the school year.

Be sure to put your name on all of your school supplies!

Enjoy the rest of your summer. We are going to have an awesome school year together!

Sincerely,

Your 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher