



June, 2010

Dear New Third Grade Student:

I can't wait to be your teacher next year! The summer is a long time to be out of school and it is important to read and practice math so you don't lose all the important skills you have learned during the school year.

I have included a summer reading list to help you select your reading material. Reading is not only educational, but can be a wonderful adventure as well. In September you will receive an assignment for one of the books you have read over the summer. You will get the directions at the start of the school year.

Writing is another important component of the third grade curriculum. Keep a journal of the fun activities you do over the summer. Remember those upper case letters and proper punctuation.

There are many fun ways to learn math. Estimate the mileage as you vacation or visit relatives this summer. While traveling this summer you can also keep track of out-of-state license plates you see. Make a graph of different plates. You can help Mom or Dad by cutting coupons and estimating savings at the grocery store.

I know Mrs. Olson has been working hard teaching you cursive in second grade. I have enclosed some cursive pages for you to practice over the summer. Plan to begin cursive in September!

Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to a really great Third Grade year! I can't wait to see you all in September.

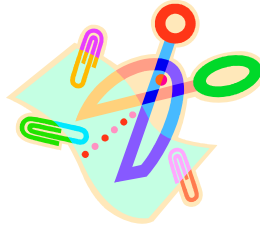
**Sincerely,
Mrs. Karen Ann Petrie
Grade Three**



**St. Pius X School
Grade 3
Summer Reading List**

Adler, David - Young Cam Jansen Series
Beginning to Read Series
Cameron, Ann - any Julian titles
Christopher, Matt - any sports titles
Cleary, Beverly - any Ramona titles
Cole, Joanna - Magic School Bus Series
Cohen, Barbara - Molly's Pilgrim
Conford, Ellen - Jenny Archer Series
Dadey, Debbie - Bailey School Kids Series
Danziger, Paula - Amber Brown Series
Gannett, Ruth Stiles - My Father's Dragon Series
Gardiner, John Reynolds - Stone Fox
Giff, Patricia Reilly - Park Street School Series
Greenwald, Sheila - any Rosy Cole titles
Hardy Boys Series
Hurwitz, Johanna
King-Smith, Dick
Kline, Suzy - Horrible Harry Series
MacLachlan, Patricia - Sarah, Plain and Tall
Nancy Drew Series
Osborne, Mary Pope - Magic Tree House Series
Park, Barbara - June B. Jones Series
Parrish, Peggy - any Amelia Bedelia titles
Polacco, Patricia
Sachar, Louis - Wayside School Series
Sobol, Donald - Encyclopedia Brown Series
Sharmat, Marjorie - Nate the Great Series
Steig, William
Trixie Belden Series
Warner, Gertrude Chandler - Boxcar Children Series
Wilder, Laura Ingalls

The above list is suggested reading only. Please encourage your child to read for pleasure daily. In early September your child will be assigned a project for one book he/she has read during the summer.



Grade Three Supply List 2010-2011

Personal Supplies

24 plain yellow pencils, already sharpened

1 large pink eraser

2 boxes of Crayola Crayons (16 count)

4 Elmer's Jumbo Glue Sticks (small ones do not last)

1 Plain pencil box, without a commercial character (label)

2 pocket folders

3 Composition Notebooks

1 – 1" 3 ring binder (to be left in the desk)

1 clip board

1 pair scissors

Classroom Supplies

2 boxes Kleenex Tissues

1 Box Wet Wipes

1 Box of Clorox Wipes

1 package paper plates

1 package each of jumbo storage bags and Baggies

1 roll of paper towels