



Dear Incoming Third Grader,

June 2018

We are looking forward to meeting you! We have many special activities planned when you get to third grade in September.

We will learn about several interesting countries, and compare the way holidays are celebrated around the world. In science, we'll study the life cycle of a butterfly, states of matter, energy, electricity, and volcanoes. In math, we'll be dividing, multiplying, measuring, and making fractions.

We do a lot of reading and writing in third grade. To get ready for the challenges ahead, we are asking you to read and create a book response from **one** book. We would like to offer you several of our favorite titles to enjoy. These titles include: Horrible Harry Moves Up to Third Grade, Freckle Juice or The Chocolate Touch. The option of choice is important in reading. If you would like to select a different title, you may choose from the 3rd grade book list link or choose a book of your own and enjoy!

To show off all your hard work reading this summer, we encourage you to choose **one** of the following projects for your book response:

- Cereal box book report (instructions are attached)
- Book report poster (Use oak tag 24" x 18" or smaller.) Write the title, author, setting, and the most important parts of the book. Include drawings or Internet images, and neatly written or typed print. Be creative and colorful!
- Diorama of your favorite part of the book. (Be sure to label it with the name of the book, the author, and a description of the scene.)

Please bring your completed project to school before September 26th.

We hope you read other books this summer, too. We encourage you to use the 3rd grade book list to guide you in choosing some additional books to help you grow as a reader and thinker. There is also a Reading Log to record the books you read. Please bring the log to school during the first week back. If you read five books or more, you will get a certificate of participation and be eligible for a special prize!

Enjoy your vacation! We will see you on September 5th.

Sincerely,
The Third Grade Teachers