

Grade 3

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Welcome back! Can you believe summer is over? Summer is always one of the most enjoyable times of the year, and I hope you enjoyed your summer with family and friends. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, my name is Katie Mandryk, and I am so excited to welcome you and your child to Grade Three.

If at any time you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me during school hours. I occasionally send out emails to the entire class roster of parents, however, if I need to contact parents regarding a personal student issue, I will either call or email. Consider no news, good news!

Agenda:

- ★ Your child will be bringing home an agenda every day. Each day they will write homework assignments and any messages in them. Please read your child's message and initial it nightly. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to message me in the agenda. The agenda is to be kept in a Ziploc bag/kanga pouch at all times to protect it from spills. You can order kanga pouches through PowerSchool for \$12.

Snacks:

- ★ Snacks are allowed in my class during class-time.
- ★ Students will be allowed to pick 2-3 snack items from their lunches and keep it on their desks during the day.
 - To avoid all lunches being consumed first thing in the morning, students may select these items for the classroom at each break.
- ★ **All snacks during class-time must be a raw/natural food item such as fruit, raw vegetables, granola, or seeds.** Any processed or sugary foods will have to wait until lunchtime to be eaten.

Lunch:

- ★ Our classroom does not have a microwave, please ensure that any items that require heating are pre-heated and sent in thermal containers. Lunch hour is from **11:50-12:15** each day. Parents must send a note if their child will be going home for lunch.

Homework:

- ★ Time is given in class to start all assignments. Anything that is not completed during the allotted class time will be sent home to finish. Please ensure that your child is completing the homework sent home. This is essential, as the curriculum is cumulative and unfinished work could make it difficult to learn the next concept.
- ★ If your child does not complete their homework at home. I will most likely keep them in during a recess to finish it. This way I can ensure that they are ready for the next concepts being taught that day.
- ★ There may be circumstances where the students are asked to complete a special assignment at home. In these cases, a note will be sent home to describe the assignment expectations.
- ★ In the event that there is no homework, students are encouraged to have a regular homework routine that includes 15-30 minutes of reading or nightly review.



Toys:

- ★ Please encourage your child to not bring personal toys and/or electronics to school, as these are often lost or broken. Due to an increase in enrollment at our school, students are discouraged from bringing scooters to school. If they choose to bring them as a means of transportation, they will have to be locked up outside at the bike racks.

Library:

- ★ Mrs. Wurban is our school Librarian and will be leading our class in the Library each week. Our class has library time scheduled once a week. Each student will be able to check out two books from the library (one book must be a chapter book). One book will stay at school for silent reading and the other will go home for nightly reading.