



Dear Parents,

Welcome to the wonderful world of 3rd grade! I just love teaching 3rd grade because of the fabulous curriculum and the amazing maturity the children go through at this age. I am sure that your child is eager to begin a new year and that you are anxious to obtain all the details about your child's new grade. This week I will focus on establishing classroom expectations and procedures with your children. I realize that you may be inundated with informational hand-outs and forms to fill out this week, so I have limited my correspondence to this letter and a Parent Questionnaire. Next week I will be sending home further classroom information. This year we will again be utilizing a 3rd grade website in order to be Earth friendly. Please check out our site at www.meadows3rdgrade.weebly.com. We hope it will be helpful for you!

I believe that frequent and open communication between home and school greatly contributes to the success of each child. I will keep you informed about the happenings at school, and I hope you will contact me anytime you have a question, concern, or information about your child that you wish to share with me. It is in this spirit that I am sending home a Parent Questionnaire. As your child's parent and primary teacher, you hold a wealth of knowledge about your child. Your responses to these will help me to best meet the unique needs of your child. **Please complete and return this confidential form by Friday, September 1st.** Thanks in advance for this information!

I am always so pleased with the level of parent involvement in our supportive community. There will be many opportunities for parent helpers both in and out of the classroom. Soon I will send home more information about how you could help.

Many parents have already asked me what would be beneficial for our classroom community. Under my page on the 3rd Grade Website you'll find a short "Wish List" of items that will change throughout the year. Thanks ahead of time for anything you can donate! ☺

Lastly, I would like to get my e-mail list up and running as soon as possible. Please e-mail me the following information as soon as possible:

1. **Your child's name**
2. **Your name**
3. **E-mail address or addresses where you'd like to receive correspondence from me**

Once I have all of this information I can begin sending correspondence out via e-mail. Thanks!

Once again, welcome to third grade. I look forward to partnering with you during this special time in your child's life. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year. **My number is 546-8033 X5618 and my e-mail is kyates@mbusd.org** . I also look forward to seeing you at Back-to-School Night which is Thursday, August 31st. Here's to a fabulous year!

Sincerely,
Karla Yates

