



2018-2019

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade! We are excited to start this school year off! We look forward to all of the hard work from all of our students. We are excited to work closely together with each and every family.

This is the first year that your child will be taking the NYS Math and ELA tests. With your support and guidance, we will be preparing your child with all the necessary test taking skills they need for these exams.

In math we will be learning multiplication, division, equivalent fractions, area, perimeter and much more. It is very important to practice with your child nightly their times tables.

Our inquiry content based (science and social studies) units will go along with our reading and writing. In writing we will cover 2 narratives, 2 opinion and 2 informational texts. In reading some of the things we will cover are; character motivations, comparing and contrasting two texts, using text evidence to support information and much much more.

Homework will be given on Monday and should be brought back to school the following Monday. Please check your child's folder each night for important notices.

Your child will be given one or two inquiry projects during each unit to complete at home. These will be presented in class and our part of their report card grade. We will be going on field trips to support our inquiry units. Some trips will include; Chinese Museum, Museum of Natural History, Bronx Zoo and many more.

If you have any questions or concerns please write us a note and we will get right back to you.

Our transdisciplinary themes will be as follows; Unit 1 Our Pale Blue Dot-Geography. Unit 2 How the World Works- Force and Motion. Unit 3- How We Express Ourselves- China. Unit 4 Where We Are In Place and Time- Climate and Weather Unit 5-Who We Are-Africa Unit 6 Sharing the Planet- Animal Adaptations.

Working together equals success!!

Thanks

Third Grade Teachers



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Supply List

3 – packs of wide ruled loose-leaf

1 – spiral notebook (free write)

6 - marble notebooks

6 - two pocket folders

6 - boxes of pencils

1 - 12" inch ruler with both inches and centimeters

1- box of gallon ziplock bags

1- box of sandwich ziplock bags

3 – boxes of tissues

3 – rolls of paper towels

2 – box of baby wipes

1 – pack of highlighters (multi color)

1 – pair of scissors

1 – pack of dry erase markers

1 – pack of blue

1 – pack of black pens

1 – pack of colored pencils

1 – pack of markers

2 – packs of post its

1 – pack of index cards size 3X5 lined

1-pack of index cards size 4X6 lined

2 – boxes of crayons

2– packs of glue sticks

1 – pack of construction paper

1-pair of headphones (to use with our laptops) buy from the dollar store!