

## WELCOME TO THIRD GRADE!!



Dear Third Grader,

Welcome to third grade! My name is Mrs. Brooker, and I will be your third grade teacher next year.

There are fun events and interesting learning activities to look forward to. You will see many of your old friends, and you will make new ones as well. There are a lot of friendly and helpful people!

On the first few days of school we'll meet our new classmates and get to know each other. Please bring three personal items to share with the class on the first day of school. These can be pictures or clues to your hobbies or interests, favorite books, sports, something you collect, something from your summer vacation, or anything that is important to you that you are willing to share. You will be able to bring these back home. I will bring in my own items to share. I love telling the stories that go with them! Sharing these items will help us get to know each other. I bet we'll discover we have a lot in common!

If you would like to ask me questions or share a little bit about yourself before school starts, feel free to write me a letter or send me an email at <a href="https://kbrooker@chittenangoschools.org">kbrooker@chittenangoschools.org</a>. I look forward to meeting you and starting an exciting year in September!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Brooker



Dear Parents,

My name is Kara Brooker, and I will be your child's third grade teacher. It is hard to believe that we are looking ahead to a new school year already. This next year will be very exciting for your child.

The following are some of the tools that your child will need for third grade. Please write your child's name on supplies coming to school.

- 1. Wide ruled loose leaf paper to be put in a simple pocket folder
- 2. #2 pencils with erasers Please send in a bunch of pencils in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on it. We will keep this supply in school. When more are needed, a note will be sent home.
- 8. 8 simple pocket folders used to store materials (Please do not buy bulky binders.)
- 4. 1 box of colored pencils quantity is your choice I will provide crayons.
- 5. 1 blue or black ink pen used for corrections
- 6. 1 zippered or sealed supply bag/box for storage of student pencils inside desks
- 7. 2 boxes of tissues unopened, to be shared with the class throughout the year
- 8. A small group of pictures that will not be returned. We will be using them for a project. These pictures are separate from the items to share the first week of school. Pictures can be of family, friends, pets, etc.
- 9. Glue sticks any size
- 10. Headphones or earbuds in a baggie with student name on it. Please be sure the plug does not have a right angle to it. The cases we have will not allow them to be plugged in.
- 11. One box of sandwich size or gallon size Ziploc bags.

Homework for Parents: Please write a brief letter about your child and send it in on the first day of school. You can also email it to me at <u>kbrooker @chittenangoschools.org</u>. Some ideas to include are your child's academic and personal strengths, areas you think need the most attention this year, special needs or learning styles, concerns, wishes, work and study habits, personality, special interests or hobbies, etc. This will help me get to know your child and make his/her transition into third grade a smooth and positive experience.

Thank you in advance for helping your child prepare for the start of a great school year. I look forward to meeting and working with you and your child. Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,

Kara Brooker