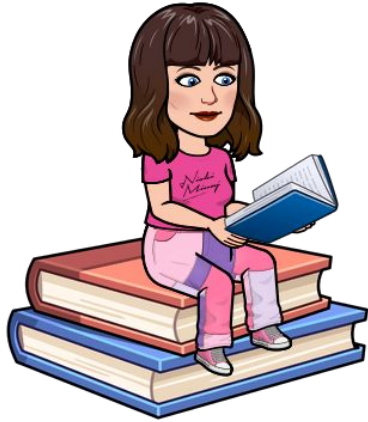


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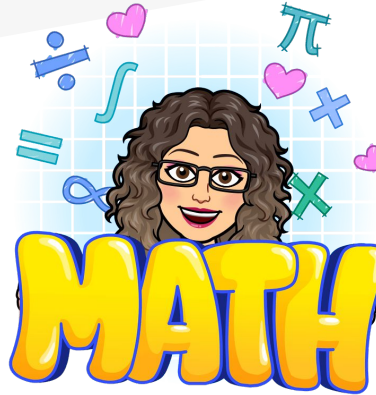
Back to School Information



Ms. Cox - RLA



Mrs. Pauley - Science/SS



Mrs. Rogers - Math

Breakfast/Lunch

Breakfast is in the classroom- 7:40 - 7:55

Class will start at 8:00

Lunch is in the cafeteria.

We encourage students to bring a water bottle to keep them hydrated while learning.

Lunch Times

Cox (Homeroom) 12:00 - 12:30

Pauley (Homeroom) 12:05 - 12:35

Rogers (Homeroom) 12:10 - 12:40

3rd Grade Expectations

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! We are so excited about the upcoming school year. Our goal is the safety of your child while also ensuring their academic success. We can't wait to get to know your child as they start a new journey as a 3rd grader.

Third grade is a BIG transition from 2nd. We will spend time on strong work habits, organizational skills, increasing students' responsibilities and positive attitude.

Every year we see our students thrive on consistency and by setting high expectations and motivate your child to meet those expectations. Your child is capable of great things!

As 3rd graders, we encourage them to take responsibility for their actions. This is such an important skill to learn.

Switching Classes

In third grade, your child will be rotating classes.

This will allow us to focus on our core subject area which results in increasing student progress and growth. Your child will also benefit by forming strong relationships with multiple teachers on the third grade team.

Students will be held accountable for bringing their designated supplies from classroom to classroom. Not only will this instill responsibility, but keeps from interrupting the other teacher's classroom.

Parent /Teacher Communication

We may not have the opportunity to check/respond to DOJO or emails throughout the day. Your DOJO message, phone calls, and e-mail is very important to us and it is a priority of ours to respond at our earliest convenience.

Our Conference Time is 11:10 - 11:55

Ms. Cox - acox@macharter.org

Ms. Pauley - dpauley@macharter.org

Mrs. Rogers - srogers@macharter.org

MACS phone number 432-686-0003

Grading Cycle and 3 Week Progress Report

Our grading cycle will be by six weeks. It is important that you log into Ascender Parent Portal using this link

<https://portal.ascender.escapps.net/ParentPortal/login?distid=165802>

to access your child's grades, attendance, and report card. We will not be sending out a paper copy.

We will send out a DOJO message to remind you to check your child's 3 weeks progress and at the end of each six weeks.

Google Classroom with Students

We will continue to use Google Classroom. We can communicate with your child through Google Classroom and their school email. When your child wants to check the Google Classroom, remember he/she will use their school email.

For example: john.smith.student@macharter.org. Their password is their first and last initial and their ID number (jp123456).

We may post important information, resources, reminders, lessons, compliments, etc.

Homework

Reading: I would like for your child to read 20 minutes a day. (weekends are optional)
Homework will be assigned on an as-needed basis, I will have resources for reading available on Classwork in their Google Classroom.

Math: Homework will be assigned on an as-needed basis, supporting their individual learning goals. Multiplication facts should be studied nightly for 10 minutes.

Science/SS: In Science, we will occasionally have home projects to complete. Social Studies will be completed in class.

**Subject to change*

Students will be bringing home a folder each day. Please check it daily for important papers, notes from school, your child's school papers, etc.

Tardies and Absences

Any child arriving after 8:00, will need to go get a tardy slip before going to their class.

When a student returns to school after an absence, he/she must have a note from a parent or a guardian.

If a child has a doctor/dental appointment during school time, he/she must have a doctor's excuse.

- Please try to schedule doctors/dental appointments at end of day and not during school hours when possible. If you are unable to do so, please have your child return to finish out the school day.

Birthdays /Parties

Students love celebrating their birthdays, If you wish to bring a special treat, we ask that you please keep the following in mind:

- We recommend individually wrapping the treat for less mess and ease.
- Please check with the teacher before sending to school and send individual servings for every child in the class.
- Parents may send the birthday treats with your child.
- The birthday recognition will occur during our recess (2:00 – 2:15).

School parties will be on Dec. 21st, Feb. 14th, and May 22nd.
That is also uniform exemption day.

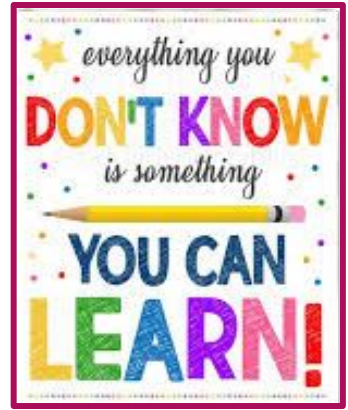
Dismissal

Dismissal is at 4:15

For your child's safety, please send a note or contact the school office each time that there is a change to your child's normal dismissal routine. If you contact your child's homeroom teacher after 12:00 we might not get your message in time due to teaching .

Reading/Writing

Students will be engaged in teacher-led groups, student-led groups, and/or independent learning. This kind of multi-tasking environment allows us to differentiate and meet the needs of all our students.



Third grade is when students transition from learning to read to reading to learn. We will focus on comprehension. This includes skills such as reading strategies, making inferences, determining the meaning of unknown words, finding the theme and main idea of a story, and summarizing text.

We will also focus on the writing process, revising and editing which presents the best opportunities for students to master the grammar skills needed to write strong, clear sentences.



Get to Know Your 3rd Grade Teacher



This is my 6th year at MACS and my 29th year of teaching. I will be your child's 3rd Grade Reading teacher. I graduated from Tarleton State University with a degree in Interdisciplinary Studies. I have 2 sons and 1 daughter. I also have three amazing grandchildren. I enjoy my family, friends, movies, traveling, and pedicures. FAVORITE THINGS; colors: teal, turquoise, candles, pedicures, and Bath and Body Works DRINKS: Coke Zero, HTeaO, Starbucks SNACKS: Jolly Ranchers, almonds, hot sauce and chips and popcorn RESTAURANTS: Jason's Deli, Rosa's, McAlister's, Olive Garden SHOPPING: Amazon and Target. I'm looking forward to teaching, loving, guiding your child to a fun and successful year.



THANK YOU PARENTS/GUARDIANS!

The Third Grade Team would like to thank you in advance for your support and help during this school year.

If we all work **TOGETHER** your child will have a positive and successful experience.