



# **Welcome to Third Grade!**

**Pine Level Elementary School  
2020-2021**

# Welcome Third Graders!

Third Grade is a year when students are able to build upon the foundation of readiness and math skills and concepts they learned in second grade. They will also be encouraged to become more independent and responsible. Because of COVID, teachers will assess students at the beginning of the school year to determine skills and concepts that may be lacking. However, the information in this presentation will make you aware of various skills for language arts and math as well as personal and social responsibilities that students should have as they enter third grade.

Thank you for taking the time to review this presentation. We hope the information will be useful to you and your child.

# Language Arts

- Shows an understanding of the lesson by asking and answering questions about it (who, what, where, when, why, and how)
- Reads and spell the first two hundred Fry words
- Begins reading and spelling the third and fourth hundred Fry words
- Knows and can name the characters, setting, and plot of a story/book during and after reading, can compare and contrast stories, determines main idea and details
- Reads fiction and non-fiction daily
- Can write a simple sentence and compound sentence with a capital letter and end punctuation
- Can form upper and lowercase letters correctly
- Can retell a story after reading
- Reads with expression while pausing at commas and stopping at periods
- Can read for 20-30 minutes in one sitting without pause

# Math

- Knows all addition and subtraction facts with limited to no use of fingers or manipulatives
- Skip counts to 100 by 2's, 5's, and 10's
- Is working to memorize the multiplication facts
- Tells time to the minute
- Knows place value and read numbers to the ten thousands place
- Rounds to the nearest tens and hundreds

# Personal and Social Responsibilities

- Can state full name, address, home phone, and parents' cell phone numbers and birthday (month/day/year)
- Treats others kindly and with respect
- Has a good attitude and is responsible for their learning
- Listens and follows directions
- Completes assignments in class and home
- Can converse with others using the rules of listening, asking questions and waiting their turn
- Can remain on task during independent work
- Sets personal goals

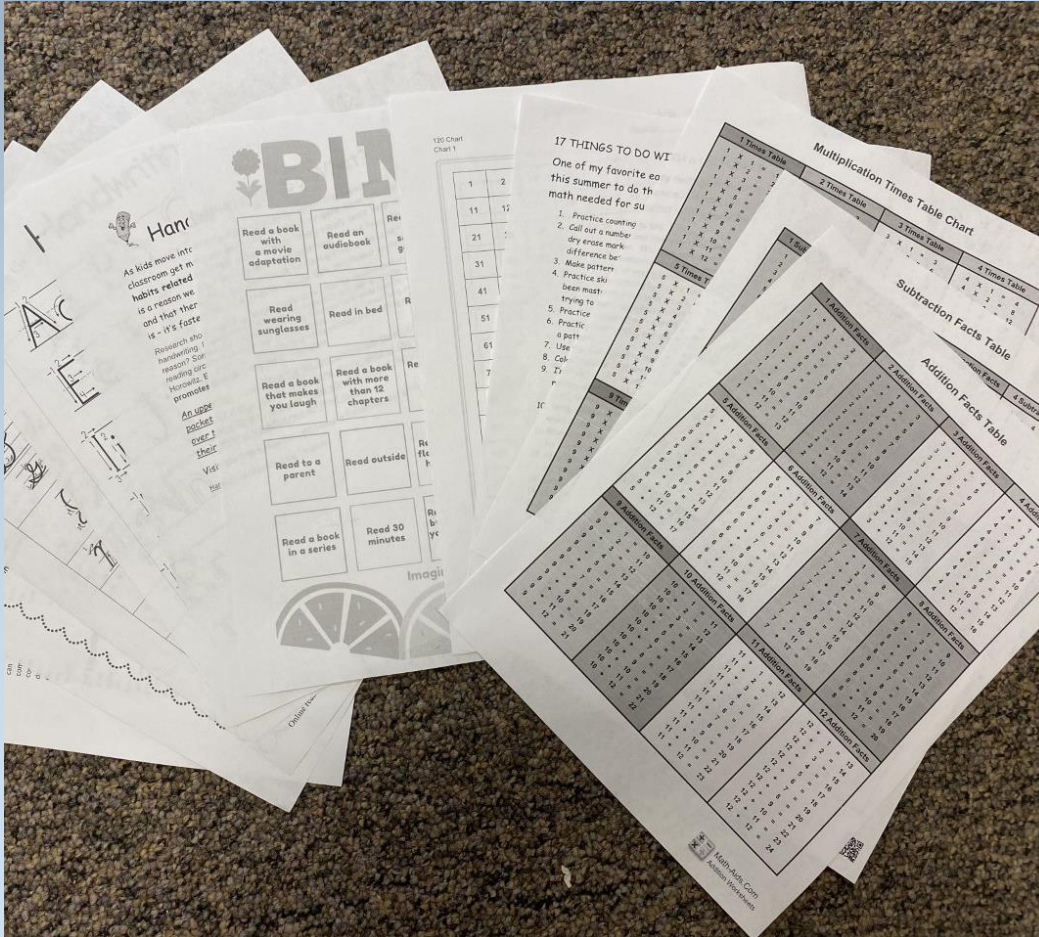
# Parent Expectations and Suggestions

- Speak positively about our school and staff. If you are excited about learning, your child will be, also.
- Communicate with the teacher and sign weekly folder
- Take time each day to talk with your child about his/her day
- Help with homework
- Make sure your child is prepared to come to school with needed items and supplies
- Make sure your child gets plenty of rest each night
- Make attendance at school a priority. However, please be aware of any symptoms your child might have that would indicate illness. Keep your child home if he/she has a fever.

# Expectations and Suggestions (continued)

- Read to and have your child read independently each day. Encourage them to tell you about the reading.
- Take time each day to talk to your child about anything and everything
- Watch the news together and discuss it
- Urge your child to use logical arguments to defend his/her opinion
- Involve your child in activities and games that require listening and following directions
- Encourage work values such as effort, persistence, and initiative
- Encourage responsibility by having them put away personal belongings and assist with simple chores

# Additional Helps



- Visit our school website (county website [www.acboe.net](http://www.acboe.net)) and click on “3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Readiness Newsletter.” There are several items that can be printed for you to use with your child. These include: Reading List, Bingo game, Handwriting information, Fry Words Lists, Addition Facts Table, Subtraction Facts Table, Multiplication Times Table, Things to Do with a 120's Chart, and a 120 Chart.



# Questions?

Additional information will be distributed to you from your child's teacher(s).

Teachers will contact every parent/guardian to schedule a specific time to come meet them and drop off school supplies at the Back to School Event.

## Back-to-School Event:

September 1 – 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

September 2 – 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

## Zoom Meeting with your child's teacher:

September 3 – 1:30 p.m.

