

August 2024

Dear Third Grade Families,

Welcome to what will hopefully be the most amazing third grade year! My name is Jen Prive, and I am so grateful to have you in our class this year. Many of you know me from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade at NBCS. However, you may not know that I have taught several years of 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade, as well. I am excited to once again teach one of the best years in elementary school, third grade, this year! I am excited to share all that I love about this grade with all of you!

I hope you are all having a wonderful summer!! I can't wait to hear all about your summertime adventures. My family and I have had a great summer, and our adventures brought us to some really incredible places that I am excited to share with our class. I hope you are excited to return to school this fall as third graders. I can't wait to see you all again!

I have spent a lot of time setting up our classroom and am very excited about sharing our new room with you. We have a great space, and I can't wait to have lots of fun learning experiences in it! I hope you are eager to see old friends and make new ones. We have a great class and I can't wait to start building our community!

Our classroom is stocked with all the supplies you will need for all of our learning adventures this year, so you do not need to worry about bringing any supplies with you. However, back-to-school supply shopping can be exciting – so if you've already purchased some of your own supplies you can certainly bring them in.

Here is what we use regularly:

- Pencils
- Erasers
- Handheld Pencil sharpener
- Crayons (24 count)
- Colored pencils (12 count)
- Scissors
- Glue sticks (Elmers lasts the longest!)

\*I will have a pencil box for the children to use. ALL of their supplies must fit inside this box. Any extras I will ask them to keep in their bag or take home for homework fun!

Again, I will have all of these supplies, so please don't stress about getting them. I will also have a Home/School folder that will travel home, and back to school each day. They will not need a binder or extra folders. Students will need a backpack and a snack each day. They can either bring a lunch or purchase one each day, as well. I would also recommend bringing a water bottle to keep them well hydrated throughout the day.

Throughout the year we go through an extensive amount of disinfectant cleaning wipes (I try to use "green", non-toxic wipes that are safe for all the growing bodies and minds) and *soft* tissues – especially during stuffy-nose season – so donations of these items are

always GREATLY appreciated!! I try to keep us well stocked, but we do go through A LOT of these throughout the year, so donations are always appreciated!

I hope you all enjoy the last few days of your summer vacation and are ready to have some awesome adventures this school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [jennifer.prive@sau19.org](mailto:jennifer.prive@sau19.org).

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Prive