

Third Grade Summer Information

Have a fun summer and remember
to exercise your brain!



READING

Third grade will be a wonderful year. To prepare for third grade, you have worked diligently refining your reading, writing, and spelling skills. In order to keep these skills sharp for the coming school year, you can do some reading and writing you enjoy. Read a variety of books including mysteries, biographies, non-fiction, and fiction books. Read a book with a friend and talk about it. Practice writing summaries of what you are reading. Write a new ending to the book or write a story about what happens next. Write a letter to a friend or a family member sharing what you are enjoying about summer. As you write, practice your very best cursive.

Enjoy reading and writing this summer. The only requirement is that you read *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate prior to school starting on August 24. The class will discuss the book the first few days of class.

MATH

This past year has been very productive and the students have learned a great deal. In order to maintain the new skills and concepts covered, practicing over the summer is essential. Reflex Math is an excellent way to keep skills sharp. Please continue to use Reflex Math throughout the summer. Students should play with coins and count change. Additionally practice telling time to the quarter hour and practice elapsed time by talking about what time it will be in 3 hours, or in 30 minutes, etc.

People of all ages love to play games that are fun and motivating. Games give students opportunities to explore fundamental number concepts, such as counting sequences, one-to-one correspondence and computational strategies. Games that are mathematically challenging can also encourage students to explore place value, patterns, and other important mathematical concepts. They give the students the opportunity to deepen their mathematical reasoning and understanding. They can vary and be more or less challenging as the student needs them to be. This creates an atmosphere of less frustration and more confidence. You can find the list on the next page.

Students entering 3rd grade should be able to perform addition and subtraction to the thousands place and to solve 2 -3 step word

IN THE KNOW

ORIENTATION

Friday, August 21, 2020 9 a.m.
Students and parents should plan to attend. The meeting will last about an hour and will take place in your child's classroom.

SUMMER READING

Summer reading and writing suggestions are included. **Every student is required to read *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate.**

SUMMER MATH

Summer suggestions for math are included. Students are encouraged to continue with Reflex Math and play games that stimulate analytical thinking. **Students should be able to perform addition and subtraction to the thousands place and to solve 2-3 step word problems.**

SUPPLIES

A supply list is attached. For your convenience the PFC offers pre-packaged supplies that can be purchased online.
<http://www.lakehillprep.org/parents/>

CALENDAR

Up to date info can be found at:
<http://www.lakehillprep.org/campus-life/school-calendar/>

CONTACT

The school office is open Monday—Thursday 9 a.m.—2 p.m. You may also email John Trout, Lower School Division Head, at jtrout@lakehillprep.org

See you in August!

2020-2021 3RD GRADE SUPPLY LIST

Please do not write on your supplies.

Classroom

- 2 - 24ct. Standard Size Crayons
- 2 - 12ct. colored pencils
- 2 bottle school glue, 4 fl. oz.
- 1 expandable zippered supply pouch, 3-hole punched for binders
- 48 #2 pencils – not Paper Mate! Pre-sharpened
- 6 red pens
- 3 black dry erase low odor marker
- 3 blue dry erase low odor marker
- 1 Filler 20oct. wide rule 10.5" x 8"
- 3 Spiral notebooks 7oct. wide rule (2 blue and 1 red)
- 5 glue sticks
- 3 yellow pocket/brad folders
(1 plastic or vinyl, 1 coated paper)
- 3 green pocket/brad folders
(1 plastic or vinyl, 1 coated paper)
- 5" left/right metal blade scissors (pointed tip)
- 2 - 8ct. classic washable markers (regular tip)
- 2 boxes of 23oct. facial tissue
- 2 pink pearl erasers
- 1 bottle of liquid hand sanitizer
- 1 containers of Anti-Bacterial wipes
- 2 package clear sheet protectors (3 hole punched)
- 3 ring binder (1in. size with a clear view front pocket)
- 6 composition books
- 1 FiveStar poly 6 pocket expanding file reinforced gusset, elastic closure, asst. colors

Art:

- Portfolio (12"x18"x2") Star Products-Red Rope
- 1 Huggies Wipes (just the refill packs)
- 3 Sharpie black – fine point

SUMMER READING

Author	Title
REQUIRED	
Katherine Applegate	Wishtree
<i>Other Suggestions:</i>	
Gertrude Warner	any "Boxcar Children" book
Dan Gutman	Any "My Weird School" or "My Weirder School"
Megan McDonald	Judy Moody
Kate McMullan	any "Dragon Slayers' Academy" book
Ron Roy	any "A-Z Mystery" book
"Geronimo Stilton" (Elisabetta Dami)	any "Geronimo Stilton" book
John R. Dickerson	any "Hank the Cowdog" book
Beverly Cleary	any "Ramona" book
various authors	any "Who Was" series biography book



MATH COMPUTER GAMES AND PRACTICE SHEETS

Games

<http://www.aplusmath.com/Games>

<http://coolmath.com>

<http://www.playkidsgames.com/mathGames.htm>

<http://gregtangmath.com/games>

<https://www.ixl.com/math/grade-3>

<http://www.mathplayground.com/thinkingblocks.html>

Worksheets

<http://www.math-drills.com>

<http://www.theteachersguide.com/printouts.htm>

<http://www.busyteacherscafe.com/printables.htm>

<http://www.worksheets4teachers.com>

READING WARRIORS

Do you want to keep your child's brain active this summer? Nothing beats summer brain drain better than reading! Your child will love these summer programs that reward children for exercising their imaginations, building their vocabularies, and staying school-ready with books and prizes. Choose a few to help keep your child motivated to read, read, read all summer long.

Every 10 days of reading earns children a free book at the **Dallas Public Library's Smart Summer Program**, and children who read 50 or more days over the summer are eligible for grand prize from community sponsors. Sign up at <https://dallaslibrary2.org/childrensCenter/summerReadingProgram/>.

Barnes and Noble's Summer Reading Journal Program will give you a free book just for reading 8 books of your choice from home, the library, or a bookstore. Visit <https://dispatch.barnesandnoble.com/content/dam/ccr/h/summer-reading/2020/2020/SummerReadingJournal.pdf> to see the selection of great free books by famous authors that your child can earn.

Local Favorite **Half Price Books' Feed Your Brain Program** encourages families to read and to spread the word about reading over social media for the chance to earn prizes. Virtual story times, recommendations, and weekly giveaways can all be found at www.hpb.com/fyb.

Sadly, not every community has access to great books. You can help United Way and Scholastic serve underprivileged communities by participating in the **Scholastic Summer Read-A-Palooza**. For every two days in a row that kids track online, Scholastic will donate 6 books to communities who need them most. Reading makes a difference at <https://www.scholastic.com/site/summer/home.html>.

Watch your inbox this summer for periodic updates from Lakehill Librarian Mrs. Pike with more reading and summer enrichment activities to keep your child's brain active and learning all summer long!

Have fun reading this summer!

—Lakehill's Lower School Teachers

