

**Dear Students and Families,**

**Welcome to Westwood Elementary School and welcome to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade! 😊**

To be prepared for school, we suggest the following items (of course, all of them are optional):

- **Book bag or Backpack** (Please avoid wheeled backpacks. They are too big for our lockers.)
- **Pencil case** (A zippered pencil bag fits nicely in the desks. The hard cases are often too large to fit with our books and supplies.)
- **Clean pair of tennis shoes** (These are for inside gym class only.)
- **Morning snack** for yourself (Please bring healthy snacks only. Candy, sweets, and junk food are not allowed for school snacks. Students may drink only water in the classroom.)
- **A bottle of water** (Please make sure that the bottle has a twist-on cap to prevent spills. Again, students may drink only water in the classroom.)

Any of the following items would be helpful classroom supplies:

- Box of **tissues**
- Baby wipes, antibacterial **wipes**, or antibacterial lotion (We use these to clean our hands and our desks.)
- 5 oz. Dixie **cups** (These are used for drinks of water in the classroom.)

Here is a list of supplies that we use in the classroom. We will provide these items for classroom use. You may want to have your own individual supplies. It is often helpful to have extras.

- **Pencils** (We find that 3<sup>rd</sup> graders often use more than the few that we supply at school.)
- **Erasers**
- **Pens**
- **Colored pencils**
- **Glue stick**
- **Scissors**
- **Ruler** (marked with both inches and centimeters)
- **Tape** (clear tape)

Just a note about lockers: We are not allowed to attach anything to the lockers. Many students use magnets to hang papers or pictures inside their lockers. This is fine. Also, anything free standing in the locker is fine, such as shelves used to keep wet boots away from other things in the lockers.

**We look forward to meeting you soon,**

The Third Grade Teachers

Mrs. Bauer, Ms. Grant, Mrs. Jeffrey, Mr. Nowak, Mrs. Sims, Mr. Wesche