# Third Grade 2020

### DEAR THIRD GRADE FAMILIES,

It is that time of year again. Can you believe it? The end of the year is certainly different this time and can't express our gratitude enough for the amount of work you've been completing with your child! We want to take this time to thank you for your support, especially during these unusually stressful times. We truly feel grateful to have had the opportunity to spend this year with your children, even if it was shorter than usual. We missed every student dearly each day!



On the next page, you will find a brief list of skills that we have worked on throughout the year, and some additional ideas that will support the students before they enter Fourth grade.



#### **UPDATES**

Our last day of virtual class will be tomorrow, Monday June 15<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-9:30 am. All assignments must be turned in by Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup> to receive credit.



your child signed up for Summer School, please look out for an invitation to a new Class Dojo class for the Summer! You will receive class updates

> Third Summer 2020 15 Students 18 Parents

### June 14, 2020

# Summer Slide

## HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILDREN

Students should be reading different types of books, such as information books, magazines and chapter books for at least 20 minutes per night. Listening to books on CD are a great way to pass the time during long car rides or even as they lay in



bed before they fall asleep; all Springfield Residents have access to these materials at the Library, including books on MP3 players and CDs.

Students should spend some time reading out loud to an adult, to practice reading fluently. When we read fluently, we focus more on understanding the story and less on reading the words. *We will keep www.Flipgrid.com/fluency20* for students who would like to continue reading to their peers. Please use the "Choose your own Summer reading".

Ask your child to retell a story, a tv show or even a commercial. Students should be able to tell who the main characters are, the setting (when and where), what is the main problem of the story and how the problem was resolved.

Have your child explain how the text features (photographs, subtitles, captions, etc.) help us to understand the text, in magazines, informational books or even when looking online.

To prevent your child from losing all he/she learned this year, please encourage them to read at least 3 books. Practice addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts – Start with addition and once your child can give you the answer within three seconds



for all the facts, then go on to subtraction (followed by multiplication and then division). To make this easier for you, please know that students will continue to have access to xtramath.org over the summer. Think of it like a vitamin to be healthy in mathematics.

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"To prevent the loss of academic growth over the summer, engage in these educational activities"

Practice subtracting and adding three-digit by threedigit numbers (765 – 599 =? and 765 + 599 =?). We have taught the students to add and subtract by breaking the numbers apart (not the traditional way). Please allow your child to show you how we taught them, so you can support their learning

Practice simple division problems. Such as if I have 18 pennies, how can I divide them equally with 3 people? Is there another way I can divide the pennies into equal piles? (two piles of nine)

As always, students may continue to reach out to us in Teams with any questions and concerns that may come up.

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