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Dear Third Grade Families,

Welcome to the new school year! We are looking forward to meeting you and your children in a few weeks and sharing an exciting year together. Third grade is truly special because it is the culmination of your child's Primary School experience.

During the first weeks of school, we will be spending time getting to know your children as students and as people. You, of course, are the experts on these young learners! In order to help us teach your children effectively, please take a few moments to share any information about your child that would be useful for us to know, especially any hopes or goals that he or she has for the coming school year. This information will provide us with valuable insight as we form relationships with your children. **Please email this information to your child's teacher by the first day of school.**

Due to social distancing requirements, we will not be utilizing lockers at the start of this year. Students should plan on bringing one backpack that can easily hang on the back of their school chair. We ask that you do not send backpacks with wheels.

All of your child's supplies for use in the classroom will be provided by and at the school. Please bring a reusable, leak-free, and condensation-proof water bottle to school every day. Bottles should be clearly labeled **on the side** with the first and last name of the student.

Birthdays are momentous events for third graders. Typically, our students celebrate in class by bringing in a food treat to share with their peers. For health and safety purposes, students will not be taking birthday walks at the start of this year. We know that celebrating birthdays are important parts of children's Primary School experience and will share more information about how we plan to safely celebrate classroom birthdays at the start of the school year.

We hope that you enjoy the rest of summer and we look forward to fostering a genuine parent/teacher relationship that will enhance your child's third grade experience.

Sincerely,

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