

## Monday Folders and Class News

Each Monday, a white correspondence envelope will be sent home containing class work, parent information, and other notes. Please keep the papers, but **sign, date, and return the folders on Tuesday.**

Our class news is sent to your email each Friday. This letter will include the Bible verses, spelling/vocabulary words, and dates/events specific to our class. Please read the Warrior Weekly for school reminders!

## Birthdays

We love to celebrate birthdays in third grade! We do a few special things in the classroom to celebrate the birthday kid on his special day! If your child has a summer birthday, we will celebrate in May. We do not celebrate with food in the classroom. However, feel free to email me if you would like to come in and read a favorite book aloud to the class in honor of your child's birthday. If you choose to send party invitations, you must send in one for each child in the classroom or to all boys or all girls..

## FACTSIS

Factsis is information central! Here you will find report cards, lunch ordering, library books that your child has checked out, and more!

## Behavior Management

Students begin each day with their names on "Ready to Learn" on our class behavior chart.

- Ready to learn (green)
- Think about it (yellow, warning)
- Let's Talk (orange, consequence)
- Parent Contact (red, consequence/office visit)

Names can be moved for doing things that would interfere with learning - interrupting repeatedly, disobeying, playing during learning/working time, etc. Consequences will include meeting with the teacher to discuss the problem and solutions as well as a loss of some recess time. Daily behavior will be charted and parents will be notified if that same behavior continues.

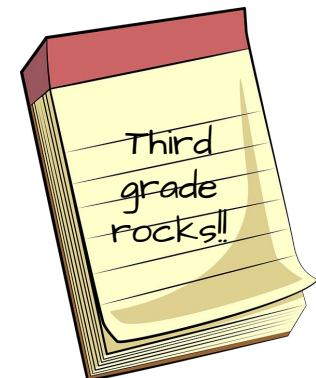
Polite-mites are given by specials teachers and lunch helpers when students show honor and respect. The class turns these in to the office and works toward a whole school reward of a "No Homework Night!"

In addition, our class works together to earn class rewards such as extra recess, trips to the park, and other privileges. These rewards can be earned by having everyone's planner signed, and by having all white envelopes signed and returned. They can also be earned when students show honor by treating others well, by having a good attitude, and by doing more than what is expected.

Welcome  
to  
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Riddle's  
Class

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### Arrival

Students will arrive at assigned times. They will enter the classroom and begin morning work.

### Absence Policy

Please call the office at 540-886-0937 when your child will be absent and email the teacher when possible. We will assign necessary make-up work when the student is well enough to return to school. Students will be responsible for missed spelling/vocabulary tests and Bible verses.

If a student is absent for a family trip, the teacher will work with the family to keep the student on track.

If your child will be leaving school early for an appointment, please email me or call the office so I will have him or her prepared to go home.

### Illnesses

If your child has a fever of 100 or greater, please keep him/her at home. Students should be fever free, without fever reducing medicines, for 24 hours before returning to school.

### Snack

We will have a snack time each day, even on early dismissal days. Some ideas for snack are fresh fruit, raw vegetables, crackers, etc. Please have your child bring a full water bottle every day.

### Lunch

Our class has lunch at 12:10 each day. We will be eating in the room. Our room is equipped with a microwave but time will be limited. Cold lunches are preferred. Thermoses are a great way to carry hot lunches!

### Bible Verses

Memorizing Bible verses will be our most important academic venture. I will send the verses of the week in the Friday class email. The long passages that third graders memorize are Luke 2:4-16 and Exodus 20:1-17.

### Spelling and Vocabulary Words

The word lists will be introduced on Mondays and are included in the class email. The first week the class will focus on the meaning of the words. The second week, we will focus on spelling. Tests will be given on Fridays.

### Homework - Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays

Reading - On nights when there is reading homework, students will either be assigned specific pages to read and questions to answer, or they will be assigned a set amount of time to read. Please ask questions and discuss stories to strengthen comprehension skills!

Math - All math homework should be checked by a parent. Your child should be able to do math side B independently with perhaps a little guidance from a parent. If your child seems to struggle with a particular concept, please leave me notes.

In addition to math and reading practice, students should review the weekly Bible verse, catechism, and spelling or vocabulary words.

On Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, please sign your child's student planner after they have completed the day's homework.

Please check the blue homework folder daily for occasional office notes. You may also send notes to me or to the office in the blue folder.

There is usually no homework on Wednesdays (to leave time for church attendance) or on Fridays (so you may enjoy the weekend!).