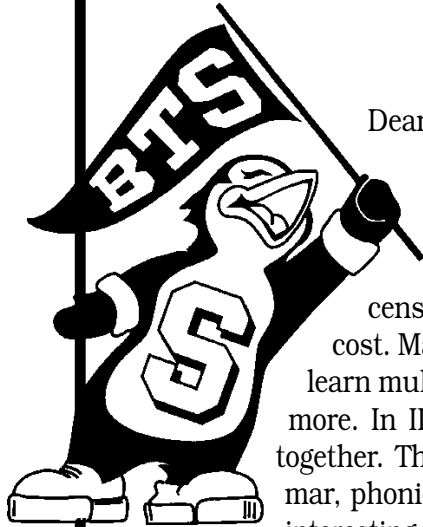


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Dear Incoming Parents and Students,

Third grade is a very exciting year for students. There are many wonderful learning opportunities. In Religion we begin with Abraham and end with the Ascension of Christ and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Math becomes even more challenging and fun because we learn multiplication, division, measurement, statistics and much more. In ILA both Reading, English and Spelling skills all come together. The ILA curriculum is backed up with traditional grammar, phonics and guided reading. Science includes many fun and interesting topics such as life cycles, energy, the roles of living things and the solar system. In Social Studies we learn about communities, early American history as well as geography skills. There will also be projects on the presidents and the 50 states. In addition to the regular subject material, students are required to complete monthly contracts. The contracts include poems to be recited, spelling lists, math facts and projects throughout all of the curriculum areas.

**Supplies • Required Items**

- ✍ pencils (large pack already sharpened)
- ✍ 2 ballpoint pens (any color but blue or black)
- ✍ 2 large erasers
- ✍ crayons (box of 24 or more)
- ✍ 3 glue sticks (no liquid or gel please)
- ✍ Fiskar pointed scissors (child size)
- ✍ inch/centimeter ruler
- ✍ plastic or cardboard art box (an appropriate size to fit in the desk)
- ✍ one roll of paper towels
- ✍ two boxes of tissues
- ✍ contact paper for workbooks keep at home to cover workbooks
- ✍ 2 large size book sox
- ✍ 2 packages of stickie notes
- ✍ 4 folders (bottom pockets)

**Supplies • Optional Items**

- ✍ colored pencils
- ✍ washable markers
- ✍ personal pencil sharpener (with cover)
- ✍ pencil case
- ✍ Tacky glue

**SUMMER READING**

*Freckle Juice*  
by Judy Blume

The list of supplies on the left is self-explanatory. We will let you know if the need arises for any other additional items during the first week of school. Some items will be ordered through the school such as copybooks, theme tablets and Time for Kids. The cost of the copybooks and theme tablets are \$1.50 each. We will let you know the cost of Time For Kids during the first week of school.

In addition to the supplies listed, the students are required to complete the summer reading selection prior to the first day of school. We will discuss the book as well as complete an assignment or two on it.

Enjoy your summer.  
See you in September.  
Happy reading!

Sincerely,  
Your 3rd Grade  
Teachers

