

## Over the summer...

Over the summer there are many things you can do with your child to help insure the best possible third grade experience.

- Read, read, read
- Discuss the "who, what, where, when, and why" of books and events
- Visit libraries, bookstores, museums, historic sites, etc.
- Limit TV, videos, movies, and even computer games
- Review math facts with games, flashcards, mental math, addition and subtraction quizzes
- Keep summer journals, travel logs, write stories together to record feelings, ideas, etc.
- Play games that require physical exercise
- Allow time to daydream and use imagination
- Cook meals, do projects, and discuss math and reading used in daily life
- Eat meals together and talk

## Third Grade Supply List

**\*\* All supplies are for student use only!**

- \*1 clipboard
- \*1- 1 inch plain *white* three-ring binder
- \*1 package of 8 dividers for binders
- \*4 glue sticks
- \*1 standard width cm/in ruler
- \*2 24 packs #2 wooden pencils
- \*1 package of colored pencils
- \*1 pair children's scissors
- \*2 yellow highlighters
- \*1 package loose-leaf, wide ruled notebook paper
- \*1 box crayons (24 or 48 quantity)
- \*1 pack of markers
- \*One box of tissue
- \*8 black dry erase markers
- \* 1 plastic pencil box



Do not put names on folders or spirals

- \*4 plain **PLASTIC** pocket folders with 3 brads: 1 each: red, blue, green, purple
- \*6 plain wide lined (please no perforated pages), 70 page, spiral notebook, 2 red, 2 blue, 1 purple, 1 green

- **A ONE TIME fee of \$5.50 (for weekly issues of Scholastic News)**

**Optional-donations: We would appreciate the following if you are able:**

- \*Ziploc bags (any size)
- \*hand sanitizer
- \*antibacterial wipes
- \*copy paper

**Some supplies will need to be replenished during the school year.**

# WELCOME TO 3rd GRADE

Enchanted Hills Elementary School  
Rio Rancho, NM

Home of the Mustangs

Web Site: [www.rtps.net](http://www.rtps.net)

Third grade is an exciting time of change! We try to instill in the children a sense of responsibility for their own learning. The following are crucial skills to be developed in third grade:

- Quality of work
- Completing and turning in work in a timely manner

## Third Grade Expectations

### Literacy:

- Reading for comprehension and becoming familiar with various reading categories such as mystery, poetry, science fiction, biography, as well as culturally diverse selections with an emphasis on non-fiction reading
- Independent (silent) and oral reading
- Listening and responding to various readings
- The writing process of prewriting, drafting, revising, editing, and final copy
- Spelling, punctuation, parts of speech, correct language usage, and language expression
- Paragraphs organized around a topic sentence and main idea
- The five elements of fiction which are setting, plot, theme, character, and conflict.

### Math:

- Regrouping with 4 and 5 digits
- Multiplication and division fact families
- Understanding of fractions
- Math patterns and formulas
- Graphing
- Geometry
- Time (analog clock), money and measurement



### Social Studies

- Mapping skills
- Geography
- Communities around the world
- Introduction to basic US history



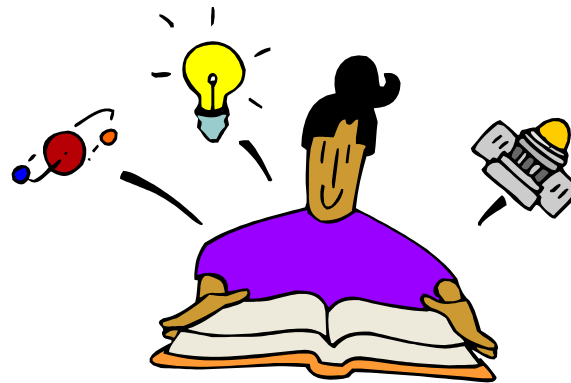
### Science

- Plant Growth and Development
- Changes
- Land and Water



### Homework:

- 30 minutes per night Monday through Thursday
- Work is due the next day
- 20 minutes of reading 5 nights per week
- Daily planners purchased from school to record assignments



## Assessments Used

- Observation
- Anecdotal records
- Teacher made tests
- Textbook tests
- Spelling tests
- Math fact timed tests



## Home and School

### Communication

- Curriculum night
- EHES Daily Planner for daily communication of assignments, notes
- Classroom newsletters/web site
- Phone calls, messages
- Data folders
- Scheduled parent conferences
- Requested parent conferences