

August 27, 2018

Dear Parents,

Greetings! I was so excited to meet my new class today! I'm looking forward to working with this wonderful group of children. We had a busy and fun first day. I hope your child came home excited and happy about third grade. Below is our daily schedule:

<p>7:30-8:20 Morning Work</p> <p>8:20-9:40 Language Arts/Reading/Wordly Wise</p> <p>9:40-9:50 Bathroom break/snack</p> <p>9:50-10:40 Ancillary</p> <p>10:40-12:10 Math</p> <p>12:15-12:45 Lunch</p> <p>12:50-1:00 DEAR</p> <p>1:00-1:30 Recess</p> <p>1:30-2:30 Science/Social Studies</p> <p>2:30-2:50 Agenda Time/Pack Up/ DEAR</p> <p>2:50 Dismissal</p>

We have an action packed day in room 202. Please be sure your child arrives at school at 7:30. Instruction begins promptly at 7:40 with the pledges, announcements, and morning work. I will have morning agenda on the board each morning so your child will know what is to be done during the morning activities. I understand the first few days will be difficult due to parking issues but on regular days students arriving after 7:40 will be marked as tardy. Early arrivers are not permitted in classrooms until the first bell at 7:30. They will need to wait in front of the school building or go to the cafeteria for breakfast. In case of inclement weather, early arrivers can wait in the cafeteria. Students arriving after 9:30 will be marked as absent for the day, unless the child has a doctor's appointment/medical excuse. A note from the health care professional must accompany the child upon returning to school that day. However if your child arrives to school with a health care note *after* the first four hours of school (afternoon), it is marked as an excused absence. In order for an absence to be considered excused, the school will need a note (hand written or e-mail) from you within three days of the absence. Please cc our registrar, Tomica at TFONTELR@houstonisd.org to any e-mails regarding absences.

Every day graded papers/tests and school announcements will be sent home in a homework folder. The "Monday" folder is a means of weekly communication between teacher, school and parent. Please read the contents of the folder carefully. I will also send out a weekly class newsletter with parent information. Do understand that I will try my best to include the newsletter each week but sometimes it may be delayed. Beginning next week, I will record behavior in the daily agenda book. Please remember that "No news is good news". **Please sign the agenda each day to show that you have seen your child's nightly homework assignments and review the graded work in the homework folder each week.** Keep the graded work and **return only the work that requires a signature**, school forms of interest to you, and the folder no later than Wednesday of each week. Your child will need to read a few days a week as part of their homework. Any reading material is acceptable. As a general rule, homework is given daily except on weekends and holidays.

Lastly, please stop by our classroom and check out our "Class Wish List" and sign up for the Remind App (instructions on the back of this page). I am excited to work with you this year! My door is always open. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns as we proceed with the school year. I look forward to going into more detail about our class at the parent meeting.

Sincerely,

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P.S. With weather typically being hot this time of year, **please send a water bottle with your child each day** so that they will have it available during our late recess.

P.P.S. Our classroom can get pretty cold from the air conditioning system. **Please send a jacket or sweater** for your child to keep at school.

Third Grade Parent Meeting

Wednesday, September 5th

9:55-10:35

Mrs. McClintock's Classroom

(Please be prompt.)

Open House

Thursday, September 20th

6:30-7:45 (grades 3-5)