MINTAL wellome to third grade! Mrs. McInerney's Homeroom

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Dear Parents.

Welcome to third grade! I am so excited to meet everyone. I can't wait to learn a little more about each and every one of you! It is going to be an awesome year in third grade and I can't wait to get started. Here are just a few things you will need to know for Wednesday morning.

ARRIVAL: The first bell rings at 8:25, school supervision begins at 7:45 a.m. Students are to report to the cafeteria, and will be released at 8:00 a.m. For the first three days of school, the students will come directly to my classroom. I am located upstairs in room 16-205. Starting Monday, August 15th after 8:00 a.m., they will go directly to the intermediate playground (the basketball court) for supervision until the bell rings. They may NOT wait at the classroom door before the bell. Backpacks are placed in a specific area on the playground for each class.

SUPPLIES: It would be helpful if your child could bring the following items in the first day or two of school. These items do not have to be brand new, just in usable condition. If you ordered the PTO Supply Kit, your child's supplies will be in the classroom on the first day of school.

- * 4 plastic folders with pockets and fasteners for inserting notebook paper (1 red, 1 green, 1 blue, and 1 yellow)
 - * 1 red spiral notebook and 1 blue spiral notebook (wide-ruled; 70ct) *earbuds to use with Chromebook
- * 2 yellow highlighters * 5" sharp tip scissors for kids * 6 glue sticks
- * colored pencils, #2 pencils (12 pk), * dry erase markers (4ct), crayons (24ct)

BELONGINGS: It is best to label ALL of your child's personal items, especially jackets, lunch boxes and backpacks. Please do not allow your child to bring anything that is or might be considered a toy.

LUNCH: Our lunch time is from 1:03-1:28. The cafeteria will be providing hot lunches this year. Breakfast and Lunch are free to all students this year. Sodas and candy are not allowed for lunch; so please refrain from sending these items in. Unfortunately, we are not allowing visitors on campus at this time for lunch bunch.

SNACK: We will have a short snack time each day. Please send in healthy, simple, **non-messy** snacks. If you send in a water bottle, please make sure it is labeled with your child's name and has a re-closable top to prevent spills. If you would like to send in a birthday treat for your child's special day, please let me know in advance. At this time, we can only accept items that are store bought and pre-packaged or sealed.

SPECIAL AREA: Our Special Area time is from 12:15 – 1:00. We will have PE, Art, Music, Media/Guidance. Students must wear sneakers for PE, and I recommend that they wear sneakers daily because we do lots of walking and have recess every day.

DISMISSAL: Please note that car pick-up is located in the back of the school. We will also dismiss students from the third-grade gate (next to our third-grade building) at 2:50 for parents who wish to pick up there. Notes are collected in the morning. If you need to make a change after the start of the school day, please notify Melissa Smith in the front office at 850-921-1265 or smithm7@leonschools.net.

MEDICINE: If your child needs to take ANY medicine at school, it MUST be handled by the clinic. You will need to complete a medication form in the front office when you bring in medication. Do not send any medication, including cough drops, in your child's lunchbox or backpack. If your child is sick please keep them home. Your child must be fever-free for 48 hours without the aid of medication prior to returning to school. Please email Lisa Peacock for any additional information peacockl@leonschools.net.

PARENT INFORMATION: The most efficient way to get school information is to sign up for the Parent Listserv. On the school's home page (http://www.leonschools.net/killearnlakes), select Parent Information on the menu bar. Then select Listserv. Be sure to respond to the confirming e-mail.

COMMUNICATION: Anytime you have a concern or question please e-mail mcinerneyb@leonschools.net or send in a note with your child. Our class webpage (www.leonschools.net/mcinerneyb) can be accessed directly or from the school's home page. The Parent Portal allows you to view your child's grades (FOCUS) and current average as each nine-week progresses. I will be communicating with you weekly through your child's Daily Binder. This is an important tool that allows you to monitor your child's progress, both academically and socially. Please check your child's binder daily. Monthly newsletters will be sent to keep you informed about our class studies and scheduled events. The e-newsletter will include important information so please be sure I have your most current email address.

looking forward to an amazing year in third grade!

Mrs. McInerney

