

Dear

It is really great that you will be in third grade next year!! To help you prepare for third grade, it is asked that you do some activities this summer. These should be fun and educational at the same time. ☺☺☺

\*\*\*1. Please read at least 3 books\*\*\* this summer (preferably 4, 5, or more). The number you read should depend on the length. An average length is 40 to 50 pages. If you read shorter books, read more. If you read longer books, read fewer. Choose books you like, but not books that are too hard OR too easy.

A simple "finger trick" could help you decide if a book is appropriate for you.

\*Open to a middle page and begin to read. Each time you come to a word that is unfamiliar or you can't decode, put up a finger. By the end of the page, see how many fingers you have up:

0-1 fingers: easy (may be too easy)

2-3 fingers: medium (probably a good level)

4-5 fingers: hard (may be too difficult for you)

Keep track of all the books you read on your book log. Write the title and author of each book at the top of the page. Show your feeling about the book by coloring stars.---(1-did not enjoy, 5---loved it!).



\*\*\*\*One book **everyone is asked to read** is How to be Cool in the Third Grade by Betsy Duffey. For this book, you should *fill out the attached story map* and bring it to school the first week. We will use this for an activity the first weeks of school. Try to be specific and neat on your story map. List all important events for each section of the Story Map.\*\*\*\*\*



**\*\*2. Complete as much of the packet as you can.**

**\*Play games using Math flash cards (Concentration, Go Fish, Addition War, etc.)**

There are many good websites that have Math games on them.

Below is a link to a site with games suggestions, websites, etc. to help you prepare over the summer.

[https://www.mathmammoth.com/lessons/summer\\_math](https://www.mathmammoth.com/lessons/summer_math)

**\*\*\*Knowing your Addition and Subtraction Math Facts is important!! These games will help you master them which is so important for success in Math.**



(Optional, but a great way to practice writing skills.)

**\*3. Keep a journal in which you write about the things you do over the summer. This will keep your Writing skills in practice. (Another idea is to make a book about your summer or make up a story and write it as a book.) We can share our writing when we come back to school. It will be fun to read about our summer adventures.**

Have a safe and happy summer!!! 😊

See you in September!

😊 Mrs. Popp 😊