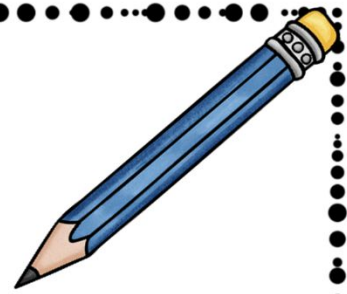




Dear Rising 3rd Grader,

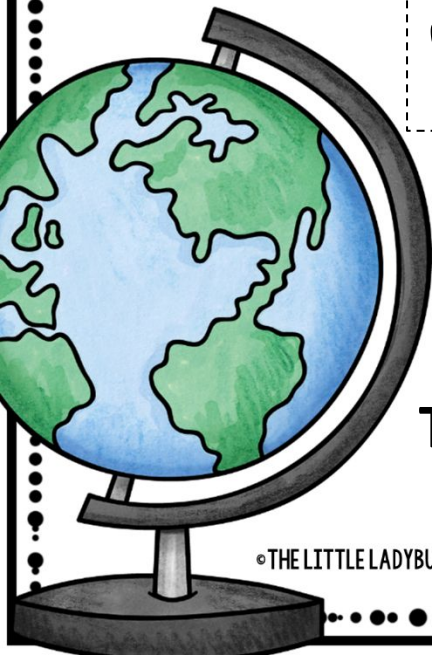


Over the summer, each student is required to read 20 minutes each day. This is great practice to develop key reading skills and be prepared for 3rd grade. Students should read at least 10 books, 3 of which must be chapter books. See the list of book series, awesome authors, and non-fiction topics suggested on the back of this letter. Students should select books that are on their reading level.

(Remember, you can check book levels by going to www.arbookfind.com)

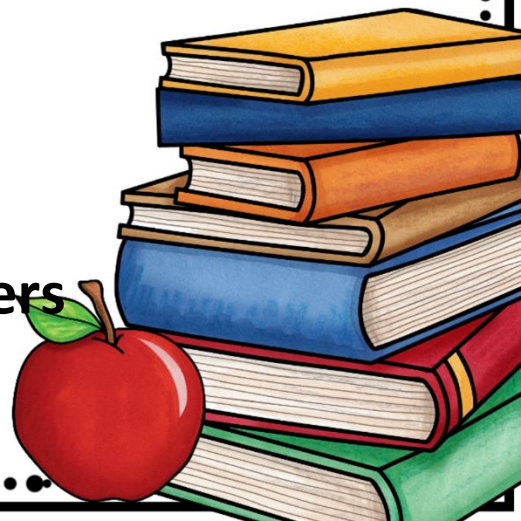
Students should also practice addition and subtraction math facts over the summer, so they are as efficient as possible at the start of 3rd grade. Multiplication will begin 2nd quarter, which requires a strong foundation in repeated addition. If your student has mastered addition/subtraction facts, looking ahead at multiplication facts could be a fun challenge. See a list of online math games that are liked by students and teachers on the back of this letter.

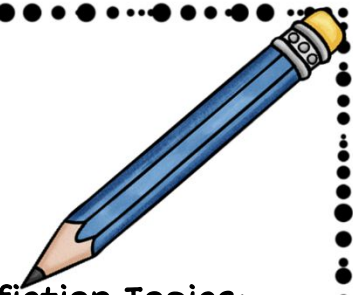
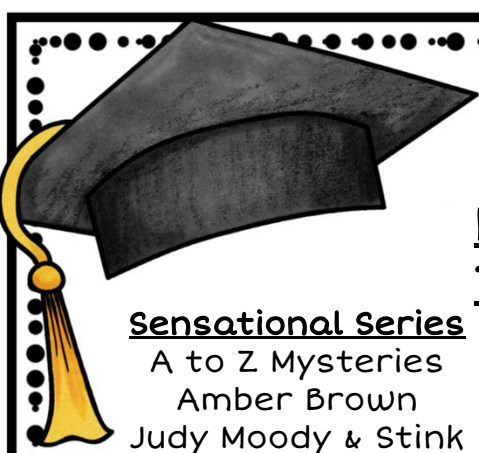
Use the check boxes included to "Have Fun" with writing, math, and reading this summer!!!



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Sincerely,
Third Grade Teachers





List of Reading Topics:

Sensational Series

A to Z Mysteries
 Amber Brown
 Judy Moody & Stink
 Scholastic "Branches" series
 My Weird School
 The Time Warp Trio
 Magic Kitten/Puppy
 Aldo Zelnick
 Magic Tree House
 Junie B. Jones
 Jake Maddox sports stories
 American Doll

Awesome Authors

Dan Gutman
 Louis Sachar
 Peggy Parrish
 David Adler
 Charise Harper
 Kate Klise
 Charise Harper
 Beverly Cleary
 Kate DiCamillo
 Katherine Applegate
 Ann M. Martin
 Matt Christopher
 Daisy Meadows

Nonfiction Topics:

Native Americans
 Famous Americans
 Branches of Government
 Our Nation's History
 People & Communities
 Ellis Island & Immigration
 Ecosystems
 Plants & Their Parts
 Animals & Their Life Cycles
 Earth's Fossils
 Weather

Hank the Cowdog

Please **DO NOT** read any of the following books this summer, as they are novels we will study in third grade:

Sarah, Plain and Tall series

Mr. Popper's Penguins

Stone Fox

Charlotte's Web

Natural Disasters
Forces and Motion

Math Sites and Apps to

Google:

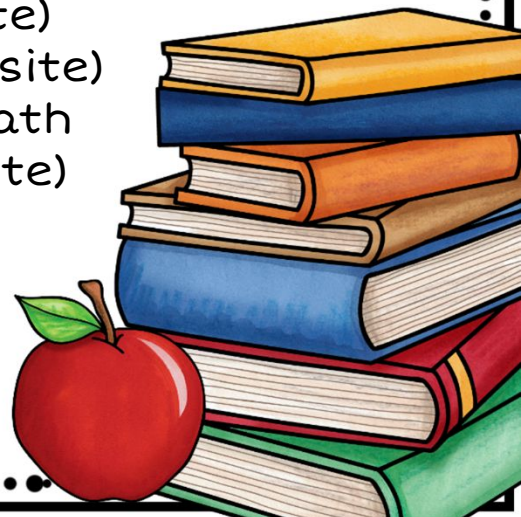
Math Playground (app and website)

Coin Box (website)

King of Math (website)

Summer Skills math workbook (website)

Sincerely,





HAVE FUN WITH READING!



Check off the fun way to read when you do it!

<input type="checkbox"/> Read to a Stuffed Animal	<input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight Read Under a Blanket	<input type="checkbox"/> Read to Someone on the Phone
<input type="checkbox"/> Whisper Read in Your Room	<input type="checkbox"/> Make a "Reading Fort" out of the Cushions	<input type="checkbox"/> Read in Front of a Mirror
<input type="checkbox"/> Read Using Crazy Voices	<input type="checkbox"/> Read Outside	Create Your Own Idea! (Write it in below)



HAVE FUN WITH MATH!



Check off the fun math activity when you do it!

<input type="checkbox"/> Add up the ages of 10 family members	<input type="checkbox"/> Google Search: "Online Multiplication Games" Pick one and practice!	<input type="checkbox"/> Measure each person's foot in your family. Add up the measurements!
<input type="checkbox"/> Go for a Geometry Drive! How many different shapes can you find on your trip?	<input type="checkbox"/> Find the area and perimeter of your bedroom.	<input type="checkbox"/> Do the grocery shopping for a week. Make a budget and stick to it!
<input type="checkbox"/> Choose 3 activities you will do today. Record the start time and finish time. How much time did you spend on each activity?	<input type="checkbox"/> Keep track of your allowance for a month. Keep a record of what you spend and what you earn.	<input type="checkbox"/> Bake something and follow a recipe! Pay attention to the sizes of measuring cups! Think Fractions!



HAVE FUN WITH WRITING!



Check off the fun writing activity when you do it!

<input type="checkbox"/> Describe a place that you visited.	<input type="checkbox"/> Write an email to someone and send it!	<input type="checkbox"/> Write a letter to someone and mail it!
<input type="checkbox"/> Write a letter to a character in a book that you read.	<input type="checkbox"/> Create a fictional animal and describe all about it.	<input type="checkbox"/> In your opinion, what makes a good teacher? Be specific!
<input type="checkbox"/> If you created your own YouTube channel, what would it be? Tell all about it.	<input type="checkbox"/> Your favorite celebrity just knocked on your door and is spending the day with you. Describe your day.	<input type="checkbox"/> Research something that you find interesting. Write about everything that you learned.



HAVE FUN THIS SUMMER!



Check off the fun activity when you do it!

<input type="checkbox"/> Go to your local library and check out some new books!	<input type="checkbox"/> Find a park you haven't been to yet and explore!	<input type="checkbox"/> Go to a new restaurant and order something new!
<input type="checkbox"/> Have a day of backyard fun!	<input type="checkbox"/> Make a new friend in your neighborhood!	<input type="checkbox"/> Write a picture book or comic book!
<input type="checkbox"/> Go to YouTube and type in "Art Hub for Kids." Have fun drawing!	<input type="checkbox"/> Take a field trip to a place of interest. For example, if you like space, go to a space museum!	<input type="checkbox"/> Create a chain reaction with items from around your house!