



July 30, 2018

Dear Family,

Welcome to a new school year and third grade! This will be my nineteenth year teaching at Willsboro Central School. I am excited to return to third grade and to be sharing this experience with you and your child. My goal is to create a structured yet comfortable learning environment in which your child can grow to his or her utmost potential.

Third grade is an exciting year for students, and they are in store for many meaningful and challenging experiences. Last year, our district adopted the *Wonders* series for English Language Arts and reading lessons. Our first unit is called, *Growing and Learning*. We will begin with a review of second grade skills and an introduction to key instructional routines and procedures that will be used throughout the school year. In math, the first module of study will focus on multiplication and division. Science and social studies topics inspired by our reading series themes, current events, and learning standards will be explored too.

On September 4th, there will be a school-wide Open House from 2:00 – 6:00 P.M. to provide students with the opportunity to meet teachers, become familiar with their classroom, and to drop off supplies. Our new classroom is E117. It is located in what was previously called the Recess Room. Below is a list of materials your third grader will need to start the school year.

- 1 wide rule composition notebook
- 1 wide rule three subject notebook
- 1 package loose leaf paper (wide rule)
- 1 pencil box with pencils and glue sticks
- 1 box crayons and/or colored pencils
- 6 two-pocket vinyl folders (1 each: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple)

Enclosed are a number of forms and additional information for you to review. If you have any questions or concerns you can call me at the school at 518-963-4456, leave a message on my voicemail (ext. 366), or e-mail me at sford@willsborocsd.org. I will return your call or e-mail as soon as possible.

Please be patient with us as we all adjust to the rigor and structure of our new routine and grade level. I look forward to a great year and to working closely with you to provide your child with a successful year in third grade.

Sincerely,

Sheree Ford

