

Dear Third Grader:

Welcome to Third Grade! There are so many new things you will learn as a third grader. We look forward to a wonderful school year with you as you continue to grow and build on your skills from last year.

During the summer, you are required to read one of the two books listed below and practice math skills on IXL.

Required Summer Reading: (select 1 of the following books to read)

- **The Mouse and the Motorcycle-** by Beverly Cleary
- **The Third Grade Angels -** by Jerry Spinelli

2025 Summer Math Assignment

Students will sign in to IXL and either click on Recommendations (which is under Learning), or may go directly to the Diagnostic Arena for a report with IXL skills tailored to their needs. Students may choose to update the Diagnostic Arena to receive more recommendations or may choose to bypass the Diagnostic Arena altogether.

The only requirement for this summer math assignment is that students must complete a minimum amount of hours of work on their personal recommendations, based on their grade level.

- Students entering grades 2-5 should complete a minimum of 4 hours of math skills.

Please note that this time is based on IXL's algorithms, and the number of "active minutes" worked may not equal the amount of time someone physically sat down to

work. If in doubt, the Analytics tab may be utilized to show students exactly how long they worked. Just remember to set a start date of June 11, when the 2024-2025 school year officially ended!

SDS math teachers will look over summer IXL work once school starts up again in September. Students who worked on their assignments for the minimum number of hours for their grade will earn a 100 for their first homework assignment of the 2025-2026 school year.

To help you prepare for the school year, here is a list of supplies you will need:

- Blue Jay Folder* (purchased through school)
- 4 Notebooks* (purchased through school)
- Pencil Case* (purchased through school)
- Assignment Pad* (purchased through school)
- Wired Headphones for computer class
- 3 Jumbo Book Sox
- 1 pk Red Pens
- 2 pk Erasable Pens (blue or black)
- 1 Pack index cards
- 1 Pack Pencils (pencils should be sharpened)
- 8 or 16 Pack Crayons **
- 8 or 16 Pack Colored Pencils**
- 8, 12 or 16 Pack Markers**
- 1 pair of Scissors
- 2 Highlighter
- 12" Ruler
- 3 Glue Sticks
- 3 Folders
- 3 Dry Erase Markers
- 1 Black Sharpie Marker
- If Possible: 1 box of tissues, 1 roll of paper towels and 1 container of Clorox wipes or baby wipes

*These items are to be purchased at Saint Dominic School. All other supplies may be purchased outside of school. The cost of the supplies will be announced on the first day of school.

**Please do not purchase more than 16 of each of these items as storage space for personal supplies is limited.

Please do not send in any type of plastic box for pencils or markers, we do not have room in the desks for them and will be sent home.

May God bless you and your family as you enjoy your time together this summer. We look forward to meeting you when the school year begins, and hope you are refreshed and eager to learn.

Have a wonderful summer!

Your Third Grade Teachers