



## MONTCLAIR KIMBERLEY ACADEMY

July 2023

Dear Third Grade Families,

Welcome to the new school year! We are looking forward to meeting you and your children in a few weeks and sharing an exciting year together. Third grade is truly special because it is the culmination of your child's Primary School experience.

During the first weeks of school, we will be spending time getting to know your children as students and as people. You, of course, are the experts on these young learners! In order to help us teach your children effectively, please take a few moments to complete the [attached survey](#) to share any information about your child that would be useful for us to know. We are especially interested in any hopes or goals that he or she has for the coming school year. This information will provide us with valuable insight as we form relationships with your children. In late August, you will receive your child's class placement and a welcome letter from your teacher at which time you will be asked to email your teacher information about your child.

Students should plan on bringing a backpack to school. We ask that you do not send backpacks with wheels. The lockers are small and will be shared among the third graders. Please do not send your child to school with locker decorations.

All of your child's supplies for use in the classroom will be provided by and at the school. Please bring a reusable, leak-free, and condensation-proof water bottle to school every day. Bottles should be clearly labeled **on the side** with the first and last name of the student.

Birthdays are momentous events for third graders. Typically, our students celebrate in class by bringing in a food treat to share with their peers. We will share more information about how we plan to celebrate classroom birthdays at the start of the school year. Please note that all treats for birthdays or class parties should be cleared by the school nurse, Candice Carlson, in advance for allergens and dietary considerations in the class.

We hope that you enjoy the rest of summer and we look forward to fostering a genuine parent/teacher relationship that will enhance your child's third grade experience.

Sincerely,

The Primary School Third Grade Team