Dear Families,

Welcome to third grade! I am Julie Ryan, and I have been teaching for 30 years. I grew up and have taught in MA for most of my life. This is my third year in Bethany and I absolutely love it! I am a Mom to four teens ages 20, 19, 17 and 14. They are all boys, except for Eliza, our 19 year old. Steve and I also have3 dogs (Molly- a bulldog, Dutton- a German Shorthaired Pointer, and Tucker, a 9 month old beagle puppy..)

I am looking forward to the upcoming school year. Here are some of the topics we will cover in English Language Arts. We will work on narrative, informational and opinion writing. Additionally, we will learn about the story mountain and how characters in our stories face various problems and solve them, based on their character traits. We will determine the theme and central message of texts, as well as compare/contrast various texts. We will also work on analyzing story elements in fiction books and text features in nonfiction books.

In Science, we will learn about animal classification and life cycles as well as force and motion and weather and climate.

In Math, we will learn multiplication and division as well as area and perimeter. We will also learn about fractions, review multi-digit addition and subtraction, and solve word problems. I look forward to working together as a team to support and educate your child. Below is a supply list and a list of books and resources to access through the summer.

Sincerely,

Julie Ryan

Here is a list of suggested supplies for 3rd grade:

- Headphones (should have an AUX cord)
- 1 pencil box (8.5 x 5.5 x 2.5) -anything bigger than this will not fit in your desk and will remain in your locker.
- 1 pack of 24 count crayons
- 3 Elmer's glue sticks
- 1 pair of scissors
- 24 #2 pencils- sharpened
- 1 personal pencil sharpener
- 12 count colored pencils, not 24 count
- 2 Composition notebooks
- 5 two pocket folders
    - 1 green folder -math
    - 1 yellow -writing
    - 1 orange -WIN
    - 1 blue -science/social studies
    - 1 red -reading
    - 1 folder -your choice of color and design for daily homework and notices
- 4 **black** dry erase markers