



Third Grade with Mrs. Macklin



Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year at Saint John the Baptist! I am excited to have your child in my class this coming year! Third grade is a year of perfecting skills, digging deeper into the curriculum, and growing as a student and individual. To make that possible, this year we will use a variety of learning techniques and methods along the way. I will do my best to make sure each child receives the instruction and attention necessary to ensure their success.

This year we will embrace Reading and Writing Workshops, STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) and the return of the Makerspace, as well as NGSS (Next Generation Science Standards). In addition to teaching your child the Common Core Curriculum expected of all students, I am also excited to help them develop their relationship and faith in God and His teachings.

Two key factors that help guarantee a student's success between home and school are open communication and working together as a team. Below is a brief overview of our classroom policies and a short questionnaire about your child. The questionnaire will help me get to know your child on a deeper level to help me modify and personalize instruction so all student needs can be met.

Please return the questionnaire by FRIDAY 27th

More detailed information regarding classroom expectations and our daily activities will be explained and passed out during Back to School Night and in weekly newsletters, which will be posted on: www.marymacksclass.com

School Hours and Attendance:

First Bell	7:50- Students must be <i>standing in our line</i> by 7:55 . Students arriving any later will be marked tardy.
Prayers Begin	7:55
Recess	10:00-10:20
Lunch	12:00- 12:30
Dismissal	2:30

If you need to drop off or pick up your child during the school day, you must sign him/her in or out in the office. Students must maintain regular and prompt attendance to ensure success.

PE is on Tuesdays and Fridays, students are to wear PE uniforms on those days

Third grade will be starting Latin this year instead of Spanish

Mass will be on Fridays at 10:30

Students are to wear masks when indoors, masks are optional when outside.

Recess/Lunch

Lunch orders go through Mr. Eric. They will be sent home in Monday night envelopes. Please turn the lunch orders in by their selected due date. They can also purchase snacks from him.

*If a student forgets their lunch they will be given a lunch from Mr. Eric and you will be charged \$6. (This is for Emergencies only!)

Homework Folders and Envelopes

Your child will be bringing home their homework folder and planner everyday. They are responsible for writing their homework in their planner in class. Incomplete work will also be sent home to complete. Please check their homework folders daily to check for notes and returned assignments. This is also an easy way for you to send items such as notes, lunch orders, and messages to me when necessary.

Homework generally consists of reading for 20 minutes a day, completing one math lesson, and one spelling activity each night.

Monday Envelope- Please take ALL papers out of your student's Monday envelope, sign the front, and return it the following day.

Class Dojo and Website:

I will be using Class Dojo to align with our classroom behavior chart and notify parents of important information. A weekly newsletter will be posted on the class website each Monday morning. I will be using www.marymacksclass.com to post the newsletters and spelling etc, but I will always notify you through the Class Dojo newsfeed. Keep an eye out for an email to join our class!

Classroom Expectations and Policies

Establishing good classroom discipline is essential to each child's success, confidence and well-being. Our class will focus on rewarding good behaviors in order to promote a positive environment in the classroom. However, if class rules are broken appropriate consequences will follow: such as time away from certain classroom activities, written and/or verbal apologies, and/or conduct slips. The idea is for the consequence to be related to the misbehavior and act as a solution or restitution for the problem. If classroom rules are severely or persistently broken, parents will be contacted. A visit to the principal's office is used as a last resort option.

Should you have any questions, comments or concerns throughout the year, please feel free to contact me. My email address is: memacklin@sjbschool.net or message me through Class Dojo. I will check my email often, but please do not expect responses during class hours. Notes to the classroom via the student's homework folder is also a good form of communication.

Thank you and God Bless,
Mary Ellen Macklin



Getting to Know Your Child

What is your child's favorite subject in school?

Does your child enjoy reading? Why or why not?

What are two strengths of your child's?

What is something your child finds difficult?

What are you hoping for your child to learn this year?

What does your child like to do for fun outside of school?

What do you expect from me, as your child's teacher?

Do you have any concerns that you would like to share? If so, please explain.

Please feel free to add any additional information that you think would help me.

Student Information



For my records, please fill out the following information on your student. This information will be used only when necessary. I will primarily communicate via email or face-to-face, when possible.

Student Name: _____

Nickname? _____

Birthday: _____

Allergies? _____

Best phone # to quickly reach a parent

Email address:

Parent Name _____

Cell phone # _____