Dear Incoming Third Graders and Parents,

Yay, it is time for summer and lots of fun. However, we need to keep our skills sharp so that we are ready for the upcoming school year. Reading is very important so you should be reading each night and this summer the book you will be reading is Beatrice Zinker Upside Down Thinker. It can be purchased at a store or borrowed at the library. After you read it, you are to write a one-page report with at least five sentences telling me about the book. If you want to be creative and artistic, you may add a nice cover with an illustration on the front.

Everyone should have a math notebook to practice in and you should be studying the two and three times tables. You can go online and practice on IXL. There are also songs for the whole times tables on You Tube and you can rock or rap with it.

In third grade, we keep a marble journal for writing each day. I recommend you practice your writing skills by jotting down a few sentences in a marble journal telling me about some special days you had this summer. You should have about 10 entries in your journal telling me about ten given days over the summer and the top of each page should be the date. Happy Writing!

I am very excited for this school year and have lots of things planned for us.

See you before you know it!

Mrs. Santafemia