

“YOU’RE OFF TO GREAT PLACES.  
TODAY IS YOUR DAY!  
YOUR MOUNTAIN IS WAITING,  
SO GET ON YOUR WAY!”  
DR. SEUSS

## This Week in Third Grade...

Math: We will begin this week with a few review concepts including telling time, multi-step word problems, thinking critically and accurately, counting money, place value, addition and subtraction. Next week, we will be jumping right into the third grade Math Curriculum with a starting focus on multiplication!

Reading: This week, we will be introducing the importance of the Socratic Seminar method in our classroom, asking critical questions, close-reading, determining important literally elements and reviewing the important characteristics of a third grade reader! Our literature selection for this week is entitled A New School Year (Stories in Six Voices.) This is a beautiful selection of stories and their different perspectives of their first day of school, their family lives, their worries and their triumphs. It is an excellent way to discuss character traits as well as changing points of view, empathy and kindness.

Read Aloud: This week we will begin with a few smaller read-aloud selections to prepare us for our beginning of the year novel entitled Wishtree. We are focusing specifically on the beauty of diversity as well as important literary themes that we can take with us throughout life!

Writing/ Handwriting: We will squeeze in a quick handwriting sample this week before starting our journey through the cursive letters (next week!) In addition, we are going to begin a global comparison between our school day lives and the lives of students living in Kenya. We will discuss important similarities and differences this week through small clips, magazine articles, etc. Eventually, this will become our first writing assignment as we begin to make comparisons across cultures as well as learning how to write a compare an contrast writing piece!

Science: Science this week will consist of a few STEM activities that promote critical thinking, collaboration, question-asking, determination and cooperation! We will begin our Life Science Unit next week!

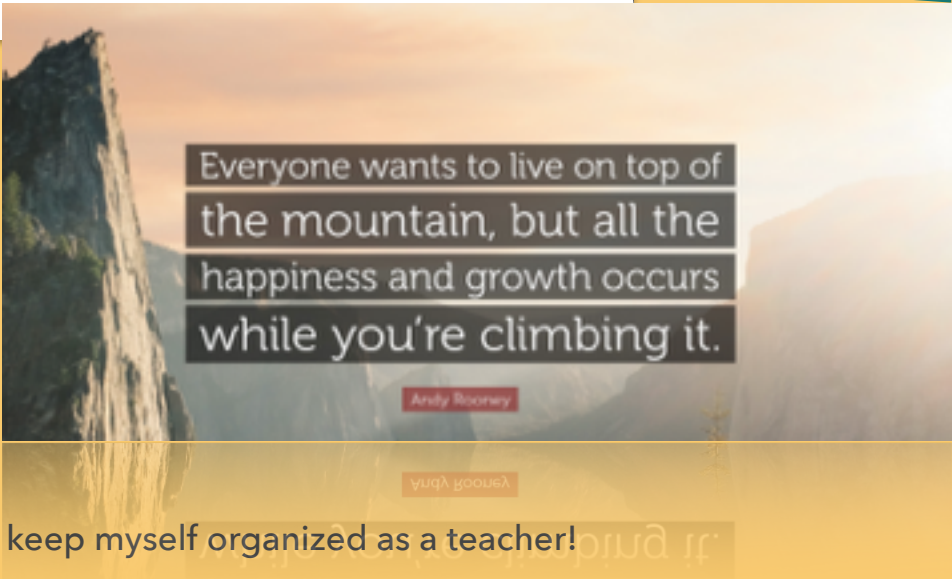
## Third Grade Power Team

Ms. Amoscato’s News

Dear Families,

Hello! It is hard to believe our first day of school is tomorrow! I enjoyed meeting many of you Monday night, and I cannot wait for tomorrow to meet my new students.

Generally, I post the new newsletter for each week online on Saturday! It is here you will find important class news, what we are doing in every subject, upcoming tests, spelling words for the week, etc. I am going to be better about placing the homework online this year as well to help



keep myself organized as a teacher! I am incredibly thankful for my vocation, and I feel blessed to be surrounded by such a wonderfully loving group of parents. Thank you for all that you do.

Warmly,  
Mrs. Amoscato

## Upcoming Tests

There will be no tests  
this week.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thursday: First Day of School and Back-to-School Assembly!  
If you have empty cereal boxes at home, please bring them in!  
The more the merrier!

Please bring back school forms as soon as possible!