# Grade 3H September Newsletter



Dear Grade 3H Parents,

Welcome to a new school year and a warm welcome to all of you. I hope everyone had a relaxing summer vacation. I am enjoying getting to know your children and I am very excited about the upcoming school year. The students are a **great** group and they are settling in quite nicely! They have enjoyed renewing their old friendships and as well are developing new ones.

#### 3H Teachers

Mrs. Huddleston - Classroom Teacher

Mrs. Weddell/Mrs. Bussard - PE

Mrs. Gibson - Educational Assistant 3H/3D

## Home/School Communication

We will be using Schoology as our primary means of communication this year. Please log in regularly to keep up with 3H and HFS news. An individualized sheet was sent home last week to create your login and password for your Schoology account. You must do this before you can get any updates. Please contact me or the office if you have any troubles. This will be the only printed newsletter for this year.

<u>Holy Family School's Opening Mass</u> - All are welcome to our Opening Mass at St. Mary's Church on Thursday, September 15, 2022 at 10:30 am.

### Home Reading Program

We will begin our Home-Reading Program this month. Your child will be bringing home a sheet of reading tickets and can always pick up more sheets in the classroom. Each ticket is worth 30 minutes of reading. For every 30 minutes that your child reads, please fill out and sign one reading ticket. Students may bring in their ticketsas they complete them. This month the goal is for every student in the class to read for 4 hours (that's 8 reading tickets). Please have your child read to you, someone in your home or silently each night to earn these tickets. (Suggested reading materials for your child: storybooks, online books (Epic) short novels, newspaper articles, magazines, comic books, etc.)

September reading tickets due: Thursday, September 29th.

#### Scholastic Book Orders

Scholastic Canada Online is a wonderful way for you to order new and interesting books for your child. Go to Scholastic Canada/parents and it will prompt you to look for your teacher. You select province/city/school/Betna Huddleston. Then you can create your account. My class code is RC228429. Today I am sending home the first Scholastic Book Order for this year.



# <u>Parent Helpers</u>

We are in need of <u>one</u> Parent Room Representative Volunteer. This person would contact parents if we need snacks, volunteers, etc. More information will be available in time. Please note that ALL parent volunteers with RDCRS must submit a completed Criminal Check before helping out at our schools. If you would like to consider volunteering, please send me a message through email. All parents are welcome to attend our Parent Council meetings each month. The first one will be on Monday, Sept. 12, 2022 - AGM & Meeting @ 7:00 PM (virtual). More information will be sent out from the office.

## Peanut Safe School

A reminder to students and parents that Holy Family School is a **Peanut Safe School**. We are asked not to bring any peanuts, peanut butter and peanut products to school. For some children, coming in contact with peanuts and peanut products can be life-threatening. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



#### Library

We will have Library on **Wednesdays** this year. Please be sure to return your child's books for exchange.

## Star of the Week

This year the students in our class will have the opportunity to be the special 'Star of the Week'. Each child will need to complete a poster to share within the class when it is their special week. They will share it on Friday (or Thursday if it is a short week). Include pictures of family and friends and anything of interest to them. Decorate as you wish. Have fun!! Please see attached list below.



#### Water Bottles

The children are encouraged to bring a water bottle (water only). Please send a large water bottle with a secure lid to avoid spills. Students are free to keep these at their desks and sip on them throughout the day. They should bring them home on a daily basis to wash.

### Grade 3 Curriculum - September

#### Language Arts:

The students will begin the year by reviewing the structure of the **Daily 5** Program. Throughout this Daily 5 framework, the students work on meaningful skills and strategies to improve and enhance their oral reading, writing, reading comprehension, spelling and handwriting. We will also focus on Balanced Literacy and develop phonemic awareness for both reading and writing.

#### Math:

We will begin our year with Number Concepts. Yourchild will learn about numbers to 100 000 using place value. As this is an adjustment to our curriculum, we will begin slowly and build up our students' place value awareness throughout the year.

#### Science:

Our first topic for science is called "Rocks and Minerals". If your child has a special rock collection at home, we will set up a time in the future for them to share.

## Social:

We will begin with an introduction to mapping in social this year. Students will be learning coordinates and mapping skills relating to the countries of Peru, Tunisia, India and Ukraine.

If you have any questions or concerns during the year, please contact me at school (403 -341-3777) or send me a message through Schoology Please note that if I am teaching, on supervision or unable to take your call, I ask that you leave a message and I will get back to you by the next workday.

Looking forward to a great year!

Yours in Christ,

Betna Huddleston Grade 3 Teacher Holy Family School

# 3H Star of the Week Schedule:

Paige September 12-16

Lincoln September 26-30

Logan October 17-21

Matteo October 24-28

Calliah October 31 - November 4

Kale November 14-18

Mikhail November 28 - December 2

Erika December 5 -9

Bryn December 12-16

Jayden December 19-23

Liam January 9-13

Denzel January 16-20

Michael Jan 23-27

Andrii February 6-10

Sloane February 13-17

Connor February 27- March 3

Alexa March 13-17

Teddy April 17-21

Brier May 8-12

Lochlan June 5-9

Mason June 12-16

Willow June 19-23