WELCOME to third grade
3rd Grade Parent Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, September 1, 2021

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Mrs. J. Spencer

- Alabama State University Alumni
- Native of Troy, AL
- 16th year teaching
- 11th year at Carver
- Married with no kids...yet!
- Enjoys spending time with my family

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Ms. J. Griffin

- University of Montevallo Alumni
- Native of Birmingham, AL
- 2nd year teaching
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Ms. L. Smith

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- B.S. Elementary Education
- M.S. School Counseling
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- 17th year teaching
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CLASS RULES

• Come to class ON TIME and PREPARED.
• Keep mask on and stay sanitized.
• Complete all assignments to the best of your ability.
• Respect yourself and others at all times.
• Raise your hand to ask a question or if you have something to share.
• Stay on task and focused so that you don’t miss any instruction.
STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

1. **Personal Best**—give your best effort and stay on task
2. **Always Responsible**—be prepared and ready to learn
3. **Work and Play Safely**—Keep hands and feet to yourself, follow the rules, and stay in your own seat/space
4. **Show Respect**—quiet voices, polite hands, listen carefully, and treat others how you want to be treated
METHODS OF COMMUNICATION

We are attempting to limit the number of people in the building. Please call the school to request an appointment.

Class Dojo (All of the school will use the same communication platform)
• STAR Testing
  **BOY**: August 23rd-September 17th
  **MOY**: December 1st-January 14th
  **EOY**: April 25th-May 20th

• ACAP
  TBA
Student Login

• Students will login into the chromebooks using their school email address and password.
• Their email address is made up of the students s# WITHOUT the "s" followed by @stu.mps-al.org. (ex. 123456@stu.mps-al.org)
• Their password is the last 4 digits of their State ID # followed by the first two letters of their birth month, their birth year, & an exclamation mark. (ex. 1234Ja2013!)
Quarantine Procedures

- If a student tests positive for COVID, contact tracing will be done by the school nurse and parents of any students affected will be notified.

- Students will have to quarantine for 14 days and work packets will be sent home.

- Zoom Classes will ONLY be held if the entire class is put on quarantine.
Chain of Custody

• To ensure the safety of your child, students can ONLY be checked out by someone listed on the registration paperwork with proper I.D.
• Anyone picking up your child in the carpool line should have the assigned car tag.
• ALL changes in transportation should be in writing and given to the teachers at the start of the day so that office can be notified.
Other things of importance...

**Scheduling Conferences**

Conferences can be scheduled through our parent liason, Mr. Vandiver. Please email Mr. Vandiver (connell.vandiver@mps.k12.al.us) and he will contact the teachers.

**Media Release**

Sign and return the Media Release form (located on the school website) **ONLY** if you wish for your child **NOT** to be photographed and/or filmed. This is important for recorded student performances as well as school social media posts.
Alabama Literacy Act

• In 2019 the Alabama Literacy Act became law. It requires that Alabama’s school children read at or above grade level by the end of third grade. As a result, the following plan was put into place to improve each student’s reading ability.

• Monitoring Students’ Progress: We recently completed a reading test called STAR. Based on the results of that test, your child, could be identified as having a deficiency in early literacy/reading.

• School Responsibilities: Students are currently taught in both large (whole class) and small groups (a few students at a time) so that they can improve their reading skills. In addition to daily instruction, teachers are required to monitor each student’s progress. Progress monitoring and additional testing occur on a regular schedule so that we can make sure each student is learning what they need to know to become a strong reader.
• Intervention: Students who are identified as reading below grade level are required to receive intervention (help). We will work with you to create a Student Reading Improvement Plan (SRIP) for your child.

• School/Family Partnership: Our main goal is to work with you to improve your child’s reading skills. The partnership will include a lot of conversations and meetings. Together we will create a reading improvement plan for your child, and provide suggestions of activities you can do at home to help your child become a better reader. We will provide updates on your child’s progress throughout the school year. We encourage you to talk with your child’s teacher about any questions or concerns you may have. You may also send an email to MPSLiteracyTeam@mps.k12.al.us.
METHODS OF COMMUNICATION

Dr. Ross-Principal (donna.ross@mps.k12.al.us)

Mr. VanDiver-Parent Liason (connell.vandiver@mps.k12.al.us)

Ms. Tonia Price-Secretary (tonia.price@mps.k12.al.us)

Ms. Kishi Baters-Bookkeeper (kishi.bates@mps.k12.al.us)

Ms. Angela Hughes-Counselor (angela.hughes@mps.k12.al.us)

Nurse Valerie Rainge (valerie.rainge@mps.k12.al.us)
METHODS OF COMMUNICATION

Artists’ Contact Info:

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Strings - Ms. Holder - Tabitha.Holder@mps.k12.al.us
Band - Mr. Hoit - robert.hoit@mps.k12.al.us
Visual Arts - Ms. Myles - valencia.myles@mps.k12.al.us
Piano - Mr. Lawrence - dale.lawrence@mps.k12.al.us
Dance – Ms. Robinson- keyana.robinson@mps.k12.al.us
Choir- Ms. Agby - meghin.agby@mps.k12.al.us
Drama - Ms. Moore - kezia.moore@mps.k12.al.us
Let's Have a Great Year!
The Choice is Yours!!

HIGH FIVE to a GREAT YEAR!