## Welcome to MS. Gelb's 3rd Grade Class!

Dear Third Grader.

I am SO excited that you are going to be in my class this year! I know that we will have a fantastic year together! This is my 8<sup>th</sup> year teaching and my 6<sup>th</sup> year at Butler. I LOVE teaching third grade and being part of the Butler community! Third grade is a year full of exciting new projects, challenges, and fun activities to explore.

There are so many things to look forward as a third grader. We will learn all about life cycles, the solar system, and motion in science. In social studies, we will study immigration and celebrate the many different cultures within our classroom family! We will also study economics and learn the value of earning and spending money! In math, we will continue with our awesome Math in Focus program. We will get to master our multiplication and division facts and explore strategies to solve real world problems. We will continue to grow as thoughtful readers and use comprehension strategies while delving into exciting texts. In writing, we will get to write stories about our lives, create historical fiction pieces, share our opinions, and write nonfiction pieces. You will get to learn cursive as well. We are lucky to have such an incredible curriculum in third grade!

We will have a chance to learn a lot about each other this year, too. Here is a little information about me. I absolutely LOVE teaching!! I graduated from Penn State University to become a teacher. I love to learn too, so I continued my education at Wilkes University and received my master's degree in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education. We will make a lot of connections between our learning and the real world this year! When I am not teaching, I also love spending time with family and friends, going to the beach, cooking, reading new books, and spending time outdoors! I also have a dog, named Bentley. He is a silly, sweet golden retriever puppy and he makes me laugh all the time! I can't wait to learn all about you this year! I hope you are as excited as I am! I look forward to seeing you soon!











Dear Third Grade Families,

Welcome to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade! My name is Kristine Gelb and I am thrilled to be your child's teacher! I received my bachelor's degree in Early Childhood and Adolescent Education from Penn State University. Then, I continued my education and earned my master's degree in Instructional Media/STEM from Wilkes University. I absolutely LOVE teaching and I am looking forward to an exciting, productive year of learning and growing with your third grader! This is my eighth year teaching in Central Bucks School District. I taught Kindergarten and first grade prior to joining the third grade team. Third grade is an incredibly exciting, fun, and pivotal year for your child, and I am so glad to be such a big part of it. I know your child is the most important thing in your life and I want you to know that I will do my best to make this school year a positive and fulfilling experience! I am excited to work with you and watch your child grow this year! I'm looking forward to meeting you at our Back to School Night on September 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.

Sincerely, Ms. Kristine Gelb

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Supply List

- 2 Marble composition books (ruled pages, not grid)
- □ 1 homework folder (your choice of design)
- □ 5 two-pocket plastic folders (1 red, 1 blue, 1 yellow, 1 purple, 1 green)
- □ 1 handheld pencil sharpener
- □ 1 Sharpie black, fine point
- □ 1 white board eraser or clean sock
- 1 pencil case with zipper
- □ Headphones or earbuds
- ☐ 2 boxes of tissues
- □ 1 container of disinfectant wipes
  - Please take materials out of packaging before school.
  - Please send items in on the first day of school.
  - Please label ALL supplies with your child's first and last name.