

Hello 3rd grade families! We are excited to begin the 2020-2021 school year with you and are looking forward to seeing some familiar faces and meeting new ones. We know that this summer has been unlike any other in your child’s life in that they have experienced so many unknowns. We are hoping that school can once again be a reliable source of joy and discovery for our students, despite the unusual circumstances. Our goal is that we will work together as a team to help your child grow as a learner while first and foremost addressing their social-emotional needs. At the end of this email there is a link to a family survey where you can tell us about any needs or concerns that are at the front of your mind.

Schedule

Below you’ll find your child’s schedule for week one and beyond. We will have live morning meetings and closing meetings every day starting on day one. Our grade level schedule also has small group times across the week. For weeks 1-3, your child will be in the same small group. The attached document titled “Wilsher Small Groups Weeks 1-3” shows your child’s small group assignment. They will be live with a teacher during that small group window.

Week 1 Schedule (Also attached to this email as “Week 1 Schedule”):

Wilsher-Girardi-Reed Week 1 Home Visit Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-9:00	Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting		Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting
9:00-10:00	Math	Math		Math	Math
10:00-10:10	Stretch Break	Stretch Break		Stretch Break	Stretch Break
10:10-10:30	Home Visit	Home Visit		Home Visit	Home Visit
10:30-10:50	Home Visit	Home Visit		Home Visit	Home Visit
10:50-11:10	Home Visit	Home Visit		Home Visit	Home Visit
11:10-11:30	Home Visit	Home Visit		Home Visit	Home Visit
11:30-12:00	Special	Special		Special	Special
12:00-1:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00-1:20	Home Visit	Home Visit		Home Visit	Home Visit
1:20-1:40	Home Visit	Home Visit		Home Visit	Home Visit
1:45-2:00	Home Visit	Home Visit	Stretch Break	Stretch Break	Stretch Break
2:00-2:45	Home Visit 2:00-2:20	Small Group 1 (2:00)		Small Group 3 (2:00)	PE
	Stretch Break	Small Group 2 (2:20)		Small Group 4 (2:20)	
2:45-3:15	Closing Circle	Social Studies		Social Studies	Closing Circle

Week 2 and Beyond Schedule (Also attached to this email as "Third Grade Weekly Schedule"):

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-9:00	Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting		Morning Meeting	Morning Meeting
9:00-10:00	Math	Math		Math	Math
10:00-11:00	Reading	Reading		Reading	Reading
11:00-11:15	Stretch Break	Stretch Break	Stretch Break	Stretch Break	Stretch Break
11:15-11:30	Individual Check-ins	Individual Check-ins		Individual Check-ins	Individual Check-ins
11:30-12:00	Special	Special		Special	Special
12:00-1:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00-1:45	Writing	Writing		Writing	Writing
1:45-2:00	Stretch Break	Stretch Break	Stretch Break	Stretch Break	Stretch Break
2:00-2:45	Movement (All 3 rd Grade)	P.E. (day varies by class)		Small Group 1 (2:00)	Small Group 3 (2:00)
				Small Group 2 (2:20)	Small Group 4 (2:20)
2:45-3:15	Closing Circle	Social Studies		Social Studies	Closing Circle

Reading: Includes Minilessons and Independent Practice

Writing: Includes Minilessons and Independent Practice

Math: Includes Instruction, Independent Practice, and Small Group

Specials

Specials will start on **Monday, August 31st**. Our class will have Science with Mr. Mangiaracina every day from **11:30 to 12:00**.

Home Visits

This year, we will be conducting virtual home visits with all 3rd graders through Teams during the first week of school. The purpose of these visits is to get to know each other and talk about any questions or concerns that have come up as we start this new school year together. [Click here to sign up for a home visit time.](#)

Here are some questions we'll be asking in case you'd like to discuss them with your child ahead of time.

- How did you spend your summer?
- Have you read any good books lately? Played any fun games?
- How do you feel/what do you think about school being virtual this year?
- How do you do your best learning? With a teacher? When you can work with a friend?
- What do you want your teacher to know about you?

Family Survey

As we head into next week, we want to get to know you and your family better so we can best address your needs. [Please click here](#) to fill out a family survey to help us understand your experiences and preferences.

Lastly, be on the lookout out for an email later this week sharing more information about Brent's Asynchronous Open House!

Helpful To Do List for this week:

- Sign up for a virtual home visit.
- Fill out family survey.
- Print out (or have available) "week 1" schedule and "week 2 and beyond" schedule.
- Print out (or have available) your child's small group assignment.

All the best,
Kaylee Wilsher & Donna Girardi-Reed