

# Back to School Night 2018 Nancy Fallin 3F

Welcome to third grade! I am so happy to have your child in my class. We are off to a terrific start!

## Quick Facts

- We are fortunate to have Miss Brauser as our assistant this year. She helps us every morning until lunch time.
- Class begins at 7:50 every morning. Please help your child arrive to school by 7:40 to allow time for putting backpacks away and to get organized for our day.
- Students may bring one healthy snack daily to have at our morning recess/break time. Please try to keep snacks peanut free.
- We will celebrate birthdays in class with a small poster that all students will sign. Students may have free dress on their birthday unless their special day is on a Mass or Prayer Service day. The free dress may be used any day during their birthday week.
- Please do not send gift bags for all the students with treats for birthdays or any holiday.
- Students are expected to be in uniform daily. Please review the dress code with your child.
- Students are expected to turn all work, including homework, on time. All work should be done neatly and should be a best effort.
- There will be homework most evenings Monday through Thursday. Students should complete around 30 minutes a night of homework. There may be some homework on weekends if there is a special project. Students should also read 15 minutes or more each evening for practice and enjoyment. Math fact review is a good way to keep up skills to build confidence in math, especially with multiplication facts.
- A homework folder will come home each day along with an agenda. Please check the agenda nightly for homework and any messages. Agendas should be signed by a parent nightly.
- Students are expected to treat their classmates with respect in class and on the playground, to listen and follow directions in class, and to allow their classmates time to work quietly and peacefully.
- Corrected work is sent home at the end of each week. Please review the work with your child. This is a great way to see the progress of your child and to get an idea of how they are doing in class.

## Specials

**PE** – Tuesday and Friday

**Music**- Monday and Wednesday

**Computer/Library** – Tuesday and Wednesday, keyboarding on Monday

**Spanish** – Wednesday and Thursday

## Curriculum Overview (very brief!)

- Religion – early church history and the apostles, Prayer, Sacraments, the life and teachings of Jesus. Our class will help prepare two prayer services and one Mass this year. Our service partner is NWPP.
- Reading – story elements, comprehension skills, fluency, vocabulary, novel studies, book reports
- Math – number sense and probability, place value, rounding, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, geometry, and problem solving
- Science – plants, animals, ecosystems, properties of matter, force, and motion, simple machines, STEM projects including a bridge building unit.
- Social Studies – map skills, landforms, Oregon and Northwest geography, economics, government, Native American communities, local history of Beaverton and Portland
- Grammar and Writing – parts of speech, sentence structure, paragraphs, research skills, writing stories

## Questions?

Write a note in your child's agenda or email me at [nfallin@valleycatholic.org](mailto:nfallin@valleycatholic.org). We have fall conferences in November but we can schedule a conference any time that one is needed.