



August 2013

Welcome to Third Grade! My name is Mrs. Conklin and I will be your teacher this coming year. I hope your summer has been wonderful. I have been spending my time at the beach and pool, playing golf with my fourth grade son, Kenny, traveling and visiting with friends and family.

I have also been busy planning a great year for us and can't wait to begin getting the classroom ready. I plan to tie in the theme of making a journey to go along with our Social Studies investigations of major worldwide cities. One big city I just got back from was Ottawa, Canada. We drove three hours north of there to go fishing with Kenny's Grandma and Papa!

I bet you also traveled to somewhere special or did something special this summer! Think about all that you did since you left for vacation. The Third Grade teachers are asking their students to please bring in **"Something Special"** from summer by the first full day of school. It can be a photograph, postcard or brochure of a place you visited; ribbon or certificate of something you achieved or did for the first time; or even a ticket stub from a museum or amusement park. **It needs to be flat so we can put it on our classroom bulletin board.** I can't wait for us to share all of the special things we did and saw over the summer.

Every year, on the first day of school, I have my class put a puzzle together with an important message on it. Until then, try to guess what it might say, look like and why I have chosen it.

If you are available, I will be in the classroom on Thursday August 29th from 10-11. Feel free to stop by and say hi. I look forward to beginning our year together on Tuesday, September 3rd! Until then, enjoy every last bit of summer. See you soon!

Love,

Mrs. Conklin