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Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your child to the third grade! I am excited to have your child in my class. We have a busy year ahead of us and I hope that our students achieve the highest possible level of academic success this year. To strive for their success, I plan to encourage your child to do their best every day. I set high expectations for students and will do everything that I can to help them achieve their academic goals.

I encourage you to take part in your child's education. I feel that academic success can be better achieved if we all work as a team. Reading is an important part of your child's overall development and doing so on a regular basis is one way to guarantee success. Help your child to choose a book that is of high interest to them and plan to read with them for one hour a week. Remember, reading is essential to succeeding in all academic areas.

Communication is also an important part of your child's education. We will communicate on a regular basis through your child's planner. If your child has had a good conduct day, a stamp will be placed beside their homework assignments. If there has been a problem at school, I will write a note to you in the planner. Parents are required to sign their child's planner each day, even if no homework has been assigned. This is also a way for parents to send notes to me. I will be checking your child's planner each day and will respond to notes that have been written to me. I value your input and look forward to your involvement. Feel free to send a note or an email (harrisonj9@k12tn.net), if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. I also encourage you to attend any scheduled parent-teacher conference during this school year.

I am certain that the upcoming school year will be a great one for both you and your child and look forward to us having a successful third grade experience.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jessica Harrison