## Welcome to Mrs. Ronholt's 3rd grade classroom!

Dear 3rd Grade Families,
I am providing a detailed description of how procedures, communication, and management will work in my classroom. One of the ongoing themes this year that the students will hear in the classroom will be how we SOAR together as believers in Christ. We will use this to help us follow our Savior's example in how we show love and respect to one another.

S - Serve God and others
O - Obey God's Word and follow His ways
A - Always trust God's promises
R - Rejoice in His goodness and faithfulness
I pray each and every day that I can create a learning environment that:

- Teaches inclusion and love for all people (1 Timothy 2:4-6)
- All people are fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14)
- God's creation is wonderful! It is ours to take care of (Psalm 19:1)
- All children (and teachers!) are sinful and deserve nothing but God's wrath (Romans 3:23)
- But God loved us so much that he sent his Son Jesus to save us (John 3:16)

3rd grade is a year filled with new challenges and adventures. It will truly be an amazing year of learning and growing for your student. At Living Hope, we want to partner with you, the parents and family, to raise disciples who serve Christ in this life and the next. That will mean constant communication, patience, and prayers. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Mrs. Ronholt


## Important Classroom Information

## Communication:

Most of my classroom communication will be over our school SIS system, Fast Direct. Please use this to send any communication you may have and I will do the same, unless there are special circumstances. Open communication is incredibly important for your child's education and for us to partner together to help your child succeed. I will do my best to respond quickly to most communication. Any messages received during the week after 7pm may not be seen until the following morning.

## School Start Time:

The school day will begin promptly at 8:00am. The school doors (by the gym) will open at 7:45am. Students will use this time to prepare for the day. Please be sure to have your child in the classroom on time. Tardies will be given if your child remains in the hallway at 8:00am. (Please refer to the tardy policy in the school handbook for more info)
*After 8:00 am, the gym doors will be locked and all students will need to enter through the office doors to get a pass from Mrs. Woller.

## Snack Break:

We will have a short snack break before our morning recess. Your child may keep a water bottle at school. Please only keep water in the water bottle. Water bottles will be kept at the "hydration station" in the back of the classroom. We will bring them in for our snack break at that time.

## Lunch procedure:

Lunch will be eaten in our classroom everyday. We do have a microwave in our classroom for those that may need to warm up their lunch. Anything that needs to be microwaved must be able to be microwaved in less than 2 minutes due to time constraints and number of students in our classroom, so please do not send any easy mac or anything that would take longer than 2 minutes to cook in the microwave. If you purchased milk at registration, your child will receive milk for lunch everyday.

## Homework:

Students will be assigned daily homework assignments that they are expected to turn in by the next day (unless otherwise noted by Mrs. Ronholt). They will be responsible for keeping an assignment notebook that the teacher will sign daily. This will not need to go home unless there is work to be done at home.

## Hand In Procedure:

The students will use a highlighter system to ensure that their work is completed properly:
Green: I understand!
Orange: I had a few questions.
Pink: I need help!
There will be highlighters near the hand-in checkpoint so that students can highlight their name prior to handing in their paper.

## Memory Work:

Your child will have memory work to learn this year. We will have memory work on Wednesdays and hymnology on Fridays. Students are expected to say all memory work before school begins.
A memory work and hymnology schedule will be posted on Fast Direct. I will also send home a sheet every week.

## Transitions:

Students will be assigned a number at the beginning of the year. This will be determined by the alphabetical order of their last name. This will be used to determine line order and other transitions. Students will follow the teacher or "Teacher Helper" (More about this in the next section) quietly to the next destination.

## Teacher Helper:

Along with classroom jobs, one student will be the teacher's assistant and helper for the day. At the beginning of each day, the teacher will assign one student to be the "Teacher Helper" for the school day. This student will complete jobs such as: Line leader, carrying the essential classroom items during transitions, and picking a student to assist them if the job requires a second helper or a door holder during transitions.

## Church Attendance:

Our mission here at Living Hope is to prepare our students to be "lifelong ambassadors for Christ." We do this everyday by teaching God's Word and imitating Christ's love by showing love to others. Another way we do this is by encouraging families to continue to nurture that faith by attending church and building that relationship with our Savior and with fellow believers. Church attendance is not something that will appear on a report card. Pastors and teachers are here to provide loving, Christian encouragement and by taking church attendance we can better encourage those who may need that.

## Birthday Treats:

Throughout the school year, we will be celebrating class birthdays! In honor of your child's birthday, he/she may bring in a treat to celebrate their special day. If your child's birthday falls during the summer, a special date will be arranged for your child to celebrate during the school year. Treats should be accompanied with any utensils,napkins, etc. that will be needed to create the least amount of mess as possible. Treats can range from healthy snacks, your child's favorite treat, or a small sweet. Please be sure to bring enough to offer all 13 students.
***If you are planning a party for your child outside of school, please mail party invitations in the mail, or use Fast Direct. Unless all students in our class are invited, students will not be allowed to pass out party invitations at school to prevent any hurt feelings***

## Planned Absences \& Sick Days:

If you know your child will miss a day or multiple days of school, please provide as much advance notice as possible so that his/her school work can be gathered for that planned absence to be completed in a timely manner.
If your child is sick, please be sure to call Mrs. Woller in the school office to let her know. I would also appreciate a message over Fast Direct, but as long as Mrs. Woller gets a phone call, she will relay that message to me as well. Any homework your child misses that day can be sent home with a sibling or picked up by a parent/guardian at the end of the school day, or given to the child when they return to school.

## Room Parent Expectations:

If you volunteered to be a room parent this year, I am so thankful for all the help you will provide in planning our classroom parties throughout the year! There are just a couple of requests I have that you do in regards to the planning of any of these parties. Please do not plan to drop in at a moment's notice as this disrupts the flow of our classroom routine and may cause some students to be thrown off their routines and disrupt their day. Any classroom parties/visits should be planned and communicated in advance so I can prepare the students for what is coming that day. I am always ready to help in the planning process as well if needed!

Memory Work Schedule:

| Week of: | Memory Work (Wednesday) | Hymnology (Friday) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aug 21, 2023 | Genesis 1:1 (Practice week) | None |
| Aug 28, 2023 | Romans 6:23 | 855 - The Church's One Foundation |
| Sep 4, 2023 | Isaiah 43:11 | 930 - Go, My Children, with My Blessing |
| Sep 11, 2023 | Psalm 37:5 <br> Mark 9:24 | 794 - Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow |
| Sep 18, 2023 | Psalm 50:15 Proverbs 3:5 | 429- O Sacred Head, Now Wounded |
| Sep 25, 2023 | 1st Commandment Hebrews 11:1 | 862 - Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word |
| Oct 2, 2023 | 1 Peter 5:7 <br> 8th Commandment | 662 - Draw Near |
| Oct 9, 2023 | Deuteronomy 33:27a Proverbs 3:5 | 696 - Take My Life and Let It Be (Hendon tune) |
| Oct 16, 2023 | Genesis 39:9b Matthew 26:41 | 919 - Blessed Jesus, at Your Word |
| Oct 23, 2023 | Romans 8:28 <br> Hebrews 11:1 | None |
| Oct 30, 2023 | I John 4:8 <br> 5th Commandment | 863 - A Mighty Fortress Is Our God |
| Nov 6, 2023 | Psalm 124:8 4th Commandment | 597 - Now Thank We All Our God |
| Nov 13, 2023 | 1 Peter 5:8 <br> 1 John 3:15 | 486 - Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying |
| Nov 20, 2023 | Psalm 14:1a Matthew 10:28 | None |
| Nov 27, 2023 | Psalm 124:8 <br> Isaiah 41:10 <br> Christmas Memory Work | Christmas Memory Work 301 - Savior of the Nations, Come |
| Dec 4, 2023 | 4th Petition <br> Psalm 118:1 <br> Christmas Memory Work | Christmas Memory Work |
| Dec 11, 2023 | 1st Article Ephesians 2:8,9 Christmas Memory Work | Christmas Memory Work |


| Dec 18, 2023 | Romans 6:23 | None |
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| January 8, 2024 | 1st Commandment Luke 11:28 | 370 - How Lovely Shines the Morning Star |
| January 16, 2024 | Isaiah 41:10 <br> Matthew 28:20b | 679 - God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It |
| January 22, 2024 | Psalm 119:105 <br> 9th Commandment | 624 - Praise to the Lord, the Almighty |
| Jan 29, 2024 | 7th Commandment James 1:22 | 850 - It Is Well with My Soul |
| Feb 5, 2024 | Mark 16:15 <br> 1 Corinthians 10:31 | 721 - What a Friend We Have in Jesus |
| February 12, 2024 | 1 Peter 5:8 6th Commandment | 650 - From Depths of Woe, Lord God, I Cry |
| February 19, 2024 | Matthew 22:37 <br> Psalm 37:5 | 407 - When I Survey the Wondrous Cross |
| February 26, 2024 | Proverbs 22:6 <br> Ephesians 6:1 | None |
| March 4, 2024 | Galatians 5:13b <br> 5th Commandment | 558 - Salvation unto Us Has Come |
| March 11, 2024 | Proverbs 3:5 <br> 8th Commandment | 570 - God Loved the World So That He Gave |
| March 18th, 2024 | 5th Petition <br> 1 John 4:8 | 397 - My Song Is Love Unknown |
| March 25, 2024 | Ephesians 6:1 <br> 6th Commandment | 441 - I Know That My Redeemer Lives |
| April 8, 2024 | Psalm 119:105 <br> 4th Commandment | 443 - Awake, My Heart, with Gladness |
| April 15, 2024 | Isaiah 43:11 <br> 7th Commandment | 784 - Now the Light Has Gone Away |
| April 22, 2024 | John 14:19b 7th Petition | 551 - Jesus, Shepherd of the Sheep |
| April 29, 2024 | 1 Timothy 2:3,4 | 681 - Christ Is with Me |
| May 6, 2024 | 2nd Commandment <br> Psalm 50:15 | 511 - Crown Him with Many Crowns |
| May 13, 2024 | Matthew 10:28 <br> Psalm 119:105 | 593 - Holy Spirit, Light Divine |

