

# 3rd Grade ROCKS

We are excited about having the opportunity to teach your child. Third grade is an important transitional year in elementary school. Your child will face greater responsibilities and become a more independent learner. Together, we hope to make this the best year ever for your child.



**YOU will be successful in 3rd grade if YOU:**

- ARE RESPONSIBLE for your own learning and always try your best!
- RESPECT others and their property.
- Use YOUR VOICE RESPECTFULLY at all times.



## Contact Information/Teacher-Parent Communication:

- "Back to School" Night (August/early September in the library)
- Parent/teacher conferences
- Teacher Edline pages: Go to the Tuscaloosa City Schools website and click on Our Schools and then Verner to visit our individual pages:  
[http://verner.tuscaloosacityschools.com/pages/Verner\\_Elementary\\_School](http://verner.tuscaloosacityschools.com/pages/Verner_Elementary_School)
- Teacher notes, telephone calls, and weekly emails
- Report Cards and Progress Reports



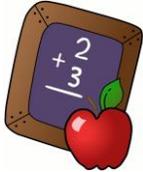
## Websites to visit:

[www.spellingcity.com](http://www.spellingcity.com) (language arts), [www.stridestart.com](http://www.stridestart.com) (math/reading),  
[www.multiplication.com](http://www.multiplication.com) (all math facts), [www.tumblebooks.com](http://www.tumblebooks.com) (reading),  
[www.abcya.com](http://www.abcya.com)

## Skills to SHARPEN over the summer!



READING- Strive to read 100-120 words a minute orally and practice retelling ALL of the details that can be recalled from the text. This can be practiced by reading books from various genres, including both fiction and non-fiction titles. After reading, take a moment to discuss the main idea and possibly even write about what you have just read.



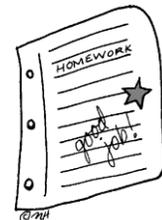
MATH- Practicing timing yourself solving basic facts for addition and subtraction. Try to see how many facts you can solve correctly in 5 minutes. You can also practice adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers with regrouping and borrowing.

GRAMMAR/WRITING- Make sure that you can make a paragraph with a topic sentence, supporting details, and a concluding sentence. Make sure that your paragraph makes sense and answers the question. Ask yourself- does my sentence start with a capital letter? Do I have punctuation at the end? Do I have correct spelling?



## Homework/Grading Expectations

- Homework will be given Monday through Thursday. We encourage students to read 30 minutes every night, including the weekends.
- Weekly assignments will vary by teacher.
- Graded papers will be sent home weekly.
- Progress Reports will go home every 4 weeks and Report Cards will be sent home every 9 weeks.
- Please check with the office if you would like your STI Home password to access your child's grades from home.



# Have a good Summer!