

ARCHWAY TRIVIUM THIRD GRADE



Homework

Third graders are expected to have 60 to 75 minutes of homework per night. Unless otherwise specified, all work is to be turned in the following day during the unpacking period. After this time, all work is considered late and may be turned in for half credit. Scholars are expected to fully complete their agenda every day. This is to help instill the virtue of responsibility.

Participation

Participation is an essential part of each scholar's grade. This includes taking part during Socratic seminars, completing science experiments, and displaying a sense of wonder and depth of inquiry. Distracting and disruptive behavior will negatively impact a scholar's grade as this interferes with the learning environment.

Monthly Reading Goals

[Reading A-Z website](#)

September: Level R

October: Level S

November: Level S

December/January: Level T

February/March: Level U

April/May: Level V

Spalding Phonograms

[Spalding Phonograms App](#)



The Spalding phonograms app is designed for helping students learn the phonics connection between speech sounds and written symbols that represent those sounds (phonograms). Learning the phonograms is essential for accurate and automatic reading, writing, and spelling. We encourage students to practice their phonograms nightly using the _lash cards or by purchasing the app. Phonograms 1-70 should have been mastered in first grade and are reviewed and built upon in second and third grade.

Math Fact Fluency

Math facts are important because they form the building blocks for higher-level math concepts. Skills such as adding and subtracting larger numbers, counting money, measurement, long multiplication and division are just a few of the concepts that a child will encounter fairly early in his/her math career. If the child has mastered their math facts, these concepts will be significantly easier and they will be better equipped to solve them more quickly.

Math fact practice is part of the nightly homework requirements. Here are some suggestions for practicing math facts with your child:

- [XtraMath](#) is a free program that helps students master addition and subtraction facts.
- [MathFacts Pro](#) is an online computer game to memorize the basic math facts.
- [Rocket Math App](#) includes themed math games for kids that teach math facts effectively.
- Addition/Subtraction/Multiplication/Division Flash Cards can be found at most dollar stores.

Math Levels

Addition and Subtraction Fact Goals

Beginning Quarter 1: 100/100 in 2 minutes

Multiplication Fact Goals

End of Quarter 1: 100 in 5 minutes

End of Quarter 2: 100 in 4 minutes

End of Quarter 3: 100 in 3 minutes

End of Quarter 4: 100 in 2 minutes

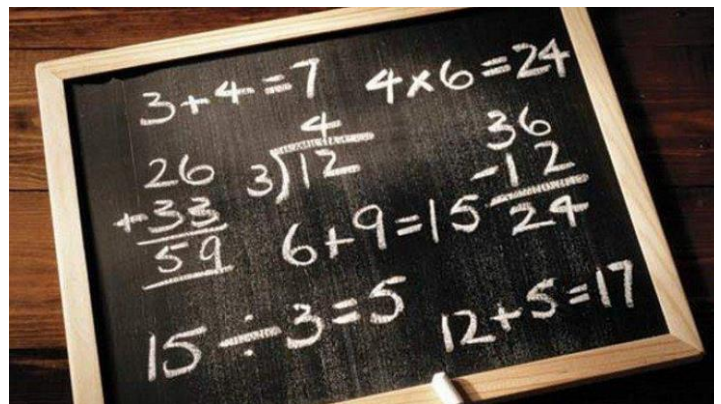
Division Fact Goals

End of Quarter 1: 25 in 5 minutes

End of Quarter 2: 50 in 4 minutes

End of Quarter 3: 75 in 3 minutes

End of Quarter 4: 100 in 2 minutes



All Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, and Division Facts should be mastered by the end of third grade.

Spalding

Depending on the week, up to thirty words a week will be taught. Parents must help with homework Monday through Thursday. Parents should read each word to scholars as they write the word with the appropriate markings. Parents should check their child's work after each word has been said and then be corrected by the child. All columns must be completed in cursive each night.

Singapore Math

Third grade will introduce and cover numbers to 10,000; addition and subtraction; multiplication and division; length; mass and weight; capacity; money; fractions; time; data analysis; geometry; and area and perimeter. For math drills, to start, scholars will be given a 5-minute timed test each Friday (Q2 – 4 minutes, Q3 - 3 minutes, Q4 - 2 minutes). A 95% or higher is required to pass. All scholars will receive a math fact packet to complete as homework each night, and then be turned in the following morning with a parent signature. The goal is to master facts through 12 by the end of the 2nd quarter. Multiplication drills will be replaced with division starting in 3rd quarter.

Grammar

Scholars will continue to correctly identify and apply parts of speech. Students will also begin to learn diagramming sentences.

Writing

Scholars will focus on writing three sentences summaries and dictations. Scholars will also learn how to write compare/contrast, informative, and opinion five paragraph essays.

Literature

Scholars will be reading *The Little House on the Prairie*; *The Trumpet of the Swan*; *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*; *Pinocchio*; *Bambi*; *The Little Prince*; and selections from *The Jungle Book*.

Poetry

Scholars will continuously be learning a poem. Wednesday a poem will be introduced and then worked on over a series of weeks. Recitations will occur the Wednesday of the last week that poem is scheduled for.

History

In history, scholars will be learning about world rivers, ancient Rome, the Vikings, earliest Americans, the exploration of North America, and the 13 Colonies.

Science

In science, scholars will be learning about the ear and sound, light and optics, animal classification, ecology, astronomy, and the human body.

Bathroom Procedures

We encourage the students to use the restroom during their recess and/or lunch, so they are not missing academics. They have two 15-minute recess periods and a 15 minute lunch spread throughout the school day. Students may also use the bathroom during independent work time, but are discouraged from doing so during instructional portions of the lesson.

Dress Code

As a reminder, student dress code is to be enforced throughout the year. Please refer to the Family Handbook for the exact specifications of the uniforms. Generally, students must wear the white or blue polo shirt with the school logo, as well as navy bottoms with a dark belt if there are belt loops on the bottoms. Socks and shoes should be white without any noticeable logo.

Field Trips

Third grade will go on two field trips during the academic year. Here are some important FAQ'S reading our field trips:

- Your child will need to wear the school uniform.
- Your child is encouraged to bring a draw string backpack to hold items such as a water bottle.
- Pack a healthy snack for the afternoon.
- A "paper bag" lunch that can be thrown away and a disposable water bottle (clearly labeled).

Birthday Celebration Policies

Birthdays will be celebrated the last Thursday or Friday of the month during a recess. Parents who wish to celebrate their child's birthday will be able to send in a treat the day of the celebration. Birthday invitations can only be passed out at school if there is one for every child in the class or if there is one for every child of the same gender in the class. Due to severe peanut allergies ALL birthday treats must be peanut free. Treats should be store bought only.