



# WELCOME TO 3JM!



Dear 3JM Parents,

September 9th-September 13th,

Greetings and welcome to 3JM! I am so excited to have a fun and rewarding year with this class. Already, I can say they are a great bunch, full of energy, and a positive attitude about learning. This is the first newsletter which will provide you with answers to many of the questions you may have!

In order for your child to have a successful year, I believe there needs to be a partnership between school and home. I am always available before and after school if you want to stop by. I can also be reached at my email address, j.murray\_daa@gemsedu.com. I will be sending out a newsletter every Thursday. In an effort to go green, I will be emailing it out as opposed to sending out hard copies. I have provided a hard and soft copy of this newsletter this week, **so if you have not received it by email please send me your updated email address.** The newsletter is an important part of grade 3, as it is a window to see what we are doing in the classroom and will also provide information on upcoming events.

**Homework** will be sent home Sunday and should be returned on Thursday. The expectations for grade 3 are 30 minutes homework and 20 minutes reading. The homework will be written in the passport which will be signed by myself and signed by a parent or guardian at home. A reading log will also be sent home and should be filled in nightly and signed.

With regards to **Snack time and lunch;** Students are expected to pack a healthy snack and lunch. A hot lunch service is also provided in the cafeteria. Vouchers can be purchased in the main foyer in the morning and after school as well as at lunch time.

Please write me a note in the passport to let me know how your child will be getting home each day. Bus students will be taken to their bus by Ms. Lesley, our TA. If you are picking your child up **please meet them in the lobby.** Student will no longer be picked up from the classrooms as they had been in grade 2. I will be walking students down to the lobby for the first few days. Please speak to your child about where you will be picking them up.

I truly enjoyed meeting all and look forward to seeing you all next week at Hopes and Dreams Day.

If you have any further questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me via email or a note in the passport.

I am looking forward to a fun and positive year in 3JM!

Mrs. Jilene Murray

## SPECIALS THIS WEEK

**Sunday Day 6: Arabic, Islamic/ Enrichment**

**Monday Day 7: Arabic, Islamic/ Enrichment, Art**

**Tuesday Day : Hopes and Dreams Day**

**Wednesday Day 8: Arabic, PE**

**Thursday Day 9: Arabic, Music**

## Special points of interest:

- Please send water bottles to school daily.
- Due to varying temperatures within the school please send your child to school with their DAA sweatshirt.
- Hopes and Dreams Day September 11th (No school for students)
- Back To School Night

## Spelling Unit 1

**Land, stick, plan, trip, stand, act, thing, last, lift, band, grand, swim, stamp, list, sand**

## Challenge Words

**Culture, diversity, multicultural, kindness, tradition**

### Language Arts

Students will begin learning about procedures and set up of the Reader's and Writer's Workshops. Please have your child bring in a journal and 10-15 pictures of family and things that they like or inspire them.

The photos are due on Thursday September 13th



### Math

Students will working on number sequencing, number grids, math tools, and how to use the math reference book. Students will also be completing a math assessment.



### Social Studies

The students will be learning about cultural diversity and explore cultural contributions of diverse groups to our community

